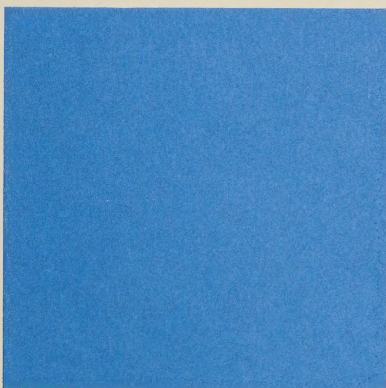
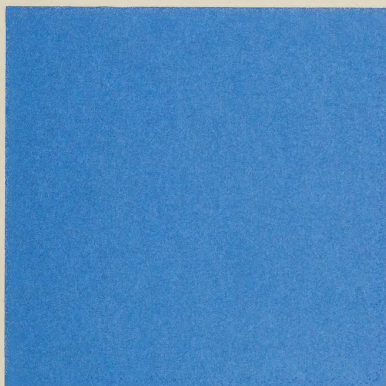


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## ABSTRACT

### **Policies and Programs for Agriculture - Western Provinces**

This is one of a series of handbooks compiled by Agriculture Canada to provide policy makers in government, farm organizations and universities with essential information about government programs of technical and financial assistance to the farming community.

This handbook, containing information about policies and programs of the Western Provinces summarizes the purpose of each program, the assistance or service provided, who is eligible to receive it, and the agency responsible for its administration. Other handbooks in the series summarize policies and programs in the Federal Government, the Atlantic Provinces, Ontario and Quebec. A related series covers the legislation pertinent to agriculture for the ten provinces and the federal government.



## FOREWORD

This publication is one of a series compiled by Agriculture Canada to make available essential information about federal and provincial government policies and programs affecting agriculture. A closely related series covers the legislation pertinent to agriculture of each province and the federal government.

To enable decision-makers in government departments and agencies, universities and farm organizations to retrieve this information in any desired combination, all provincial and federal programs have been placed on computer by Agriculture Canada. A form for requesting such information is included at the back of this publication.

The Policy, Planning and Economics Branch greatly appreciates the co-operation and assistance of the departments of agriculture in the Western Provinces.

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## MANITOBA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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<b>100 FIELD CROPS AND HORTICULTURE PROGRAMS</b>			
<b>M.01 ALL-RISK CROP INSURANCE AND HAIL INSURANCE</b>			
Provide insurance against crop loss caused by natural hazards including hail spot loss	Owners, tenants and landowners who qualify under the regulations with regard to minimum acreage and number of crops insured	Insurance against natural disasters for out-of-pocket expenses	Manager or Assistant Manager or Chief of Field Operations Manitoba Crop Insurance Corporation Portage la Prairie, MAN.  (204) 857-9711
<b>M.02 WATERFOWL DAMAGE FUND</b>			
Compensate for crop loss due to migratory birds which are protected by the International Migratory Bird Convention	Farmers with damaged crops  Crops must be inspected when standing, swathed, sheafed or stooked not threshed	If complete crop loss: 75% of crop value (max. \$25 per acre)  If partial loss: proportional to percentage damage or percentage of \$25 per acre whichever is lesser	Manager or Assistant Manager or Chief of Field Operations Manitoba Crop Insurance Corporation Portage la Prairie, MAN.  (204) 857-9711



Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>M.03 BIG GAME PROTECTION AND DAMAGE COMPENSATION FUND</b>			
Compensate for crop loss or damage caused by deer, elk, moose, or black bears	Farmers with damaged crops or beehives	First claim: 75% of crop value to a max. \$5,000  Subsequent claims: will be compensated if adequate preventive measures have been adopted	Manager or Contract Manager or Chief of Field Operations Manitoba Crop Insurance Corporation Portage la Prairie, MAN.  (204) 857-9711

**M.04 CROP PRODUCTION (CEREAL AND FLAX)**

Provide information on new varieties, disease problems and production techniques of wheat, oats, barley and flax	All producers	Short courses, general meetings and direct contact with producers by Regional Agronomists	Chief Crops Section Soils and Crops Branch Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 946-7801
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**120 FORAGE CROPS****M.05 FORAGE SEED PRODUCTION**

Provide technical information to regional staff, seed trade and seed growers	Members of Canadian Seed Growers Association who show a preference for forage seed production	Grassland specialists provide technical assistance and attempt to obtain Foundation Seed for growers making application	Chief Grassland Section Soils and Crops Branch Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 946-7801
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**M.06 FORAGE PRODUCTION**

Improve yield, quality and utilization of winter feed (annual and perennial crops)	Livestock producers	Short courses, general meetings and direct contact with producers by Regional Grassland specialists	Chief Grassland Section Soils and Crops Branch Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 946-7801
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Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>130 PASTURES</b>			
<b>M.07 COMMUNITY PASTURE PROGRAM (MANITOBA – CANADA AGREEMENT 1939) (FEDERAL-PROVINCIAL)</b>			
Provide off-farm grazing	Livestock producers	Pasture services at cost	Chief Field Operations Winnipeg, MAN.
Encourage alternate uses of farm land and expansion of herds			(204) 786-9272
<b>M.08 PASTURE MANAGEMENT</b>			
Upgrade pastures through good management practices	Livestock producers	On-farm trials, demonstra- tion plots, short courses, general meetings with producers by Regional Grassland specialists	Chief Grassland Section Soils and Crops Branch Winnipeg, MAN.
			(204) 946-7801
<b>180 SPECIALTY CROPS</b>			
<b>M.09 NEW CROP OPPORTUNITIES</b>			
Investigate and promote potential new crops	All producers	Short courses, general meetings and direct contact with producers by Regional Agronomists	Chief Crops Section Soils and Crops Branch Winnipeg, MAN.
			(204) 946-7801
<b>M.10 SPECIAL CROP PRODUCTION</b>			
Diversify into special crops production	All producers	Short courses, general meetings and direct contact with producers by Regional Agronomists	Chief Crops Section Soils and Crops Branch Winnipeg, MAN.
			(204) 946-7801

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>200 HORTICULTURE</b>			
<b>M.11 HORTICULTURE (POMOLOGY)</b>			
Encourage economical commercial production of strawberries and apples	Co-operators with well-drained, sandy loam soil and water for irrigation and frost control	Provides strawberry plants, stem builder trees and technical assistance	Fruit Specialist Soils and Crops Branch Winnipeg, MAN.
Assist home growers with information on tender and tree fruit production	Homegrowers		(204) 946-7801

**M.12 NORTHERN HORTICULTURE**

Provide assistance in horticulture to northern residents	Communities and individuals wishing to start a garden or greenhouse	Publications, technical assistance, garden demonstrations and workshops, land preparation assistance	Northern Horticulturist Soils and Crops Branch Thompson, MAN.  (204) 677-2853
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**250 VEGETABLES****M.13 VEGETABLE AND POTATO PRODUCTION AND MARKETING**

Encourage economic production and marketing of commercial vegetables and potatoes	Vegetable and potato growers	Technical assistance, demonstrations, certified potato seed	Vegetable Specialist or Potato Specialist Soils and Crops Branch Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 946-7801
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<b>270 ORNAMENTALS</b>			
<b>M.14 ORNAMENTAL HORTICULTURE</b>			
Assist commercial growers (greenhouses, nurseries, sod farms) with production problems	Commercial operators  Homeowners	Technical advice  Diagnosis of disease and insects	Ornamental Specialist Soils and Crops Branch Winnipeg, MAN.
Provide homeowners with information on ornamental horticulture		Grower tours, field days, short courses, media information	(204) 946-7801

**M.15 DUTCH ELM DISEASES CONTROL PROGRAM**

Identify and control spread of Dutch Elm disease	Any municipality wishing to protect and preserve their stands of elm trees	Cost sharing on 50-50 basis up to maximum	Horticulture Section Soils and Crops Branch Winnipeg, MAN.
Initiate programs of sanitation as a preventative measure		Municipal share of \$1 per capita when Province pays balance	(204) 946-7801
		Education programs and technical assistance	

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## LIVESTOCK

## MANITOBA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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400 LIVESTOCK			
M.16 LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY MANAGEMENT, NUTRITION			
Improve feeding programs	All farmers	Detail feed analysis (at cost)  Counsel on feeds and supplements	Livestock Nutritionist Animal Industry Branch Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 269-1220

## 401 CATTLE

## M.17 GRASSLAND SOCIETIES

Convert beef and dairy producers from grain, as the major source of energy for cattle, to grass	Any livestock producer	Give members opportunity of grazing cattle on grass, as opposed to grain feeding, for comparative purposes	Chief Grassland Section Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 946-7801
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## M.18 BRAND AND VENT REGISTRATION – BEEF CATTLE, DAIRY CATTLE AND HORSES

Provide cattle and horse owners with a valid legal identification of their animals	Cattle and horse owners	Technical assistance in selecting an appropriate brand and/or vent	Livestock Program Specialist – Beef Animal Industry Branch Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 269-1220
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<b>410 DAIRY</b>			
<b>M.19 RECOMMENDED A.I. DAIRY SIRE LISTINGS</b>			
Provide list of outstanding sires available through A.I.	Any dairyman	Technical assistance on the selection of A.I. sires	Livestock Program Specialist - Dairy Animal Industry Branch Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 269-1220
<b>M.20 DAIRY PRODUCT IMPROVEMENT AND CONSULTING</b>			
Maintain and improve the quality of dairy products at the producer and processor level	Dairy producers and processors	Consulting on quality  Recommendations during routine inspection	Chief, Dairy Section Animal Industry Branch Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 269-1220
Ensure sanitary milk and products		Production and processing clinics	
<b>M.21 NATIONAL IDENTIFICATION PROGRAM DAIRY CATTLE</b>			
Identify grade dairy female cattle to increase the number of proven sires	Dairy herds on D.H.I.A., R.O.P. or owner  Sample Milk Recording Program	Extension and guidance by D.H.I.A. supervisors, R.O.P. inspectors and livestock program specialists	Livestock Program Specialist - Dairy Animal Industry Branch Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 269-1220
<b>M.22 MILK RECORDING - DAIRY</b>			
Provide management guides for culling, selecting and feeding	Farmers with dairy herds	Grants of \$5 per cow per year  Farm consulting on sire selection, breeding program and feeding program	Livestock Program Specialist - Dairy Animal Industry Branch Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 269-1220

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>420 BEEF CATTLE</b>			
<b>M.23 R.O.P. BEEF CATTLE</b>			
Measure individual female performance and inherited gaining ability of calves	Cattlemen owning 5 or more calves, same sex, for 1 sire, born in a 90-day period	Information and assistance on all aspects of cattle management	Livestock Program Specialist - Beef Animal Industry Branch Winnipeg, MAN.
Provide means of selecting breeding animals	Purebred or commercial		(204) 269-1220

**M.24 SIRE PERFORMANCE TESTING - BEEF CATTLE**

Provide for performance testing of top weanling bull calves in an unbiased environment	Priority given to owner of purebred bulls from participating R.O.P. herds	Identification and selection of superior bulls  \$50 for each bull accepted  General information on beef cattle management and breeding	Livestock Program Specialist - Beef Animal Industry Branch Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 269-1220
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**M.25 PROGENY TESTING - BEEF CATTLE**

Provide a practical procedure for progeny testing preselected top young sires	Owners of purebred bulls coming from the Manitoba Bull Test Station	Collecting and processing semen from the test bulls  Securing co-operating cowherds, collecting data on the calves produced	Livestock Program Specialist - Beef Animal Industry Branch Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 269-1220
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#### M.26 MANITOBA BEEF PRODUCERS INCOME ASSURANCE PROGRAM

Provide stability to the beef industry in Manitoba	Bona fide farmers who own a basic cow herd	Establishes a support price, based on production costs, (i.e., cash cost, depreciation, 50% of the interest costs and a return to family labour)	Chief Manitoba Beef Income Assurance Plan Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 944-3494
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#### 430 SHEEP

#### M.27 FEDERAL-PROVINCIAL RECORD OF PERFORMANCE HOME TEST PROGRAM – SHEEP

Improve flock productivity	Any sheep producer who has a test group of at least 8 properly identified lambs born within a 90-day period	Weighing lambs and computing results  Information on all aspects of sheep production	Sheep Fieldman Animal Industry Branch Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 269-1220
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#### M.28 FEDERAL-PROVINCIAL SHEEP TRANSPORTATION POLICY

Improve sheep quality and promote more economic production by encouraging cross-breeding	Purchasers of 50-200 ewes	75% of cost of transporting ewes at least 200 miles	Livestock Program Specialist Animal Industry Branch Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 269-1220  District Supervisor CDA Livestock Division Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 985-2212
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<b>440 SWINE</b>			
<b>M.29 FEDERAL-PROVINCIAL R.O.P. PROGRAM – SWINE</b>			
Provide a basis for individual and herd evaluation of the genetic improvement of economic traits in swine herds	Purebred and commercial breeders owning a swine breeding herd of identifiable back-ground and keeping complete breeding and management records	Weight and ultrasonic probe service	Livestock Program Specialist – Swine Animal Industry Branch Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 269-1220
Identify superior breeding stock			District Supervisor CDA Livestock Division Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 985-2212

#### M.30 COMMERCIAL HOG IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (C.H.I.P.)

Encourage production distribution and use of superior breeding stock	Commercial producers who identify all breeding animals in their herds, select female stock on the basis of performance test information, and maintain breeding and management records	<p>Weigh and probe animals selected</p> <p>General information on swine management</p>	<p>Livestock Program Specialist – Swine Animal Industry Branch Winnipeg, MAN.</p> <p>(204) 269-1220</p>
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#### 450 POULTRY

##### M.31 POULTRY INSPECTION

Control pullorum, typhoid and other diseases as stated in Hatchery Supply Flock Regulation	Owners of potential hatchery supply flocks	<p>Inspection of flocks and premises</p> <p>Technical information</p>	<p>Poultry Veterinarian or Chief, Poultry Section Animal Industry Branch Winnipeg, MAN.</p> <p>(204) 269-1220</p>
Provide production technology for hatcheries			

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**M.32 POULTRY MANAGEMENT**

Provide management techniques	Poultry industry	Information on production technology and on new product development	Chief, Poultry Section Poultry Veterinarian Animal Industry Branch Winnipeg, MAN.
Develop improved marketing systems, maintain egg and poultry quality standards as prescribed in Livestock and Livestock Products Acts		Assistance to marketing boards	(204) 269-1220
		Licensing hatcheries and poultry dealers	



## POLICIES AND PROGRAMS FOR AGRICULTURE

## SOIL, WATER AND ENGINEERING

## MANITOBA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
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510 SOIL MANAGEMENT			
M.33 SOIL MANAGEMENT ADVISORY SERVICE			
Provide current technical information	Regional staff	Technical advice on soil management	Chief Soils Section Soils and Crops Branch Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 946-7801

## 520 SOIL CLASSIFICATION

## M.34 SOIL SURVEY

Classify and map all soils according to physical characteristics to provide information to resource users	By arrangement	Technical information  Regional maps	Chief Soils Section Soils and Crops Branch Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 946-7801  Chief Pedologist Soil Survey University of Manitoba Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 474-8153
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Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>530 SOIL FERTILITY</b>			
<b>M.35 SOIL TESTING SERVICE</b>			
Optimize crop yield by using fertilizers properly	All Manitobans	Soil analysis for nitrogen, phosphorous and potassium done for a fee  Fertilizer recommendations	Director Soil Testing University of Manitoba Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 474-9866  Chief Soils Section Soils and Crops Branch Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 946-7801
<b>570 SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION</b>			
<b>M.36 FARM DRAINAGE SURVEY</b>			
Improve the drainage of farm lands subject to flooding (Operative May-October of each year)	Farmers approved by agricultural Representative and Soil Specialist	Survey. Fee \$30.00/160 ac  Drainage recommendations	Agricultural Engineer Technical Services Branch Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 946-7801
<b>M.37 RURAL WATER SERVICES PROGRAM (ARDA III)</b>			
Develop farm water and sewer facilities for livestock production (Operational 1971-78)	Bona fide farmers who show a need for farm water services	Advisory service  Grants up to 15% of total eligible costs (max. \$300 on first structure \$200 on 2nd structure)	Chief Rural Water Services Technical Services Branch Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 946-7801

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		Eligible structures outdoor water carriers, water conditioning equipment sewage works, costs of test drilling to evaluate/locate water sources  (P.F.R.A. will pay a grant on farm wells, dugouts and dams)	

#### M.38 MANITOBA WATER SERVICES BOARD PROGRAM

Provide pure water to communities at an affordable price and protect the environment through proper treatment of sewage wastes	All communities at or above the level of Incorporated Village  Unincorporated Villages are dealt with through the rural municipality	Community pays first 20 mills on equalized assessment annually and province pays 50% of the capital cost above that raised by a 20 mill levy  Grant to limit price of water to \$3.45/1,000 gals	Chairman or Manager Manitoba Water Services Board Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 475-2700
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#### M.39 COMMUNITY WELL PROGRAM

Provide sources of water for municipal use in watershort areas	All rural municipalities and local government districts	Technical and financial assistance (Local government pays for 50% of construction costs)	Chief Rural Water Services Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 946-7801
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**710 FARM BUILDINGS****M.40 FARM BUILDINGS**

Develop structural plans for efficient production, storage and handling of primary products	No specific criteria	Technical assistance	Agricultural Engineer Technical Services Branch Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 946-7801
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**740 FIELD MACHINERY****M.41 FARM MACHINERY BOARD**

Handle applications for repossessions and complaints	Farmer, user, dealer or vendor of farm machinery or equipment	Information and assistance to farmers  Information and authority for dealers and vendors	Chairman or Secretary-Manager Farm Machinery Board Technical Services Branch Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 946-7801
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**M.42 POWER AND MACHINERY**

Develop and evaluate machinery to encourage highest returns from investment	Farmers interested in machinery	Consultation, training courses and information	Agricultural Engineer (Power and Machinery) Technical Services Branch Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 946-7801
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**M.43      WASTE MANAGEMENT**

Provide research and information on agricultural waste handling systems and advice on waste management problems

Farmers requesting assistance

Consultation and information

Agricultural Engineer  
(Waste Management)  
Technical Services Branch  
Winnipeg, MAN.

(204) 946-7801



## POLICIES AND PROGRAMS FOR CANADA

## INSECTS, DISEASES AND PESTS

## MANITOBA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>605 PEST CONTROL</b>			
<b>M.44 PESTICIDES CONTROL</b>			
Ensure safe use of pesticides by administration of Pesticides and Fertilizers Control Act, Manitoba	Pesticide dealers and applicators	Technical assistance  Licensing and supervision of dealers and applicators  Pesticide residue testing	Entomologist Entomology Section Technical Services Branch Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 946-7801
<b>M.45 ENTOMOLOGY EXTENSION</b>			
Promote safe and effective insect control	Any person seeking information	Advice on identification and control methods  Educational programs, insect surveys and supply of specified insecticides	Entomologist Entomology Extension Technical Services Branch Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 946-7801
<b>M.46 INSECTICIDE SUPPLY PROGRAM</b>			
Ensure adequate supplies of specific insecticides required to handle large scale infestations of specific insects	Farmers	Technical information relating to insect control	Entomologist Entomology Section Technical Services Branch Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 946-7801

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>M.47 APICULTURE EXTENSION</b>			
Encourage modern honeybee management and honey handlings	Beekeepers	Management and mechanization	Apiarist Entomology Section Technical Services Branch Winnipeg, MAN.
Determine crop pollination requirements and develop pollination services	Farmers growing a crop requiring cross-pollination	Technical assistance in determining pollination requirements of specific crops	(204) 946-7801
<b>M.48 APICULTURE-APIARY INSPECTION</b>			
Prevent and control honeybee diseases	Registered beekeepers	Technical assistance in disease prevention, detection and control	Apiarist Entomology Section Technical Services Branch Winnipeg, MAN.
Evaluate new methods of disease prevention and control			(204) 946-7801
<b>630 PLANT PATHOLOGY</b>			
<b>M.49 PLANT PATHOLOGY</b>			
Operate plant pathology laboratory for disease diagnosis	Anyone with diseased agronomic, special or horticultural crops	Disease diagnosis  Control recommendations	Plant Pathologist Soils and Crops Branch Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 269-1220

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>540 WEEDS</b>			
<b>M.50 WEED CONTROL DISTRICTS PROGRAM</b>			
Control weeds under the Noxious Weeds Act	Rural municipalities with 12 or more townships that form a Weed Control District and employ a full-time weed control supervisor	For the weed supervisor, 50% (max. \$4,000) annual salary and 50% (max. \$750) annual expenses and 50% (max. \$1,000) of assistant weed supervisor's annual salary and expenses	Chief Weed Control Section Soils and Crops Branch Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 964-7801
<b>660 LIVESTOCK DISEASES</b>			
<b>M.51 ANIMAL DISEASE INVESTIGATION PROGRAM</b>			
Investigate animal and poultry diseases to develop efficient control	Primary production projects submitted by MDA staff within the limits of the test station	All costs	Chief Animal Disease Investigation Veterinary Services Branch Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 269-1220
<b>M.52 VETERINARY SERVICE DISTRICTS</b>			
Provide rural areas with competent veterinary services	Groups of local governments with an animal population large enough to support a separate, viable veterinary service	Capital grant clinical facility construction, operating grant up to 5,000 each year	Director Veterinary Services Branch Winnipeg, MAN. (204) 269-1220

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>M.53 VETERINARY DIAGNOSTIC LABORATORY</b>			
Back-up service for Veterinary Service Districts	Primary livestock producers	Free diagnostic support services with postmortem examination for a fee	Pathologist Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 269-1220
<b>M.54 A.I. SEMEN DISTRIBUTION CENTRE</b>			
Provide a central livestock semen distribution system through A.I. technicians	All livestock producers	Wide variety of semen available to all producers  Subsidies are paid to technicians for transportation costs	Director Veterinary Services Branch Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 269-1220
<b>M.55 VETERINARY DRUG PURCHASE CENTRE</b>			
Central drug purchase to allow farmers to buy drugs at reasonable prices through rural veterinary clinics	All livestock producers	Drugs are purchased at cost plus handling charges	Director Veterinary Services Branch Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 269-1220

## POLICIES AND PROGRAMS FOR AGRICULTURE

## AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS

## MANITOBA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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## 810 FARM MANAGEMENT

## M.56 FARM DIVERSIFICATION PROGRAM (ARDA III)

Develop modern farm management skills and practices	Farmers under 45 years old with gross farm income \$5,000-\$25,000	\$2,000 grant for non-operational capital expenses	Chief Farm Diversification Program Economics Branch Winnipeg, MAN.
Convert to and expand livestock production		Loans up to \$10,000 for conversion or expansion of livestock enterprise	(204) 944-3495
Currently under ARDA III A, May 1, 1970 - December 31, 1978		On-farm management assistance, workshops and seminars	

## M.57 CANFARM

Provide an information system to assist with accounting, problem detecting, decision making and alternatives	All producers	Bookkeeping systems Record keeping instruction Report interpretation and management assistance	Chief CANFARM Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 946-7801
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Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>M.58 MARKET NEWS SERVICE</b>			
Collect, analyse and report market price information (primarily beef prices) on a daily basis	All interested persons	Information available on a toll free "Dial and Listen" line	Chief, or Economist Market News Service Economics Branch Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 944-3501
<b>M.59 SPECIAL STUDIES SECTION</b>			
Provide economic information to staff and agricultural industry	Not applicable	Management and technical assistance	Research Economist Special Studies Section Economics Branch Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 944-3497
<b>M.60 GENERAL FARM MANAGEMENT</b>			
Provide regional staff with information on farm management and marketing	Not applicable	Not applicable	Chief Farm Management Economics Branch Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 944-3493
<b>M.61 SMALL FARM DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM</b>			
Facilitate leaving of agriculture of farmers who wish to retire or change occupation	Farmers who sell their farms for less than \$40,000	Vendor's grant of \$1,500 plus 10% of selling price (max. \$3,500)	Farm Credit Corporation Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 985-4039
Increase incomes of low-middle income farmers	Purchasers with productive assets less than \$90,000	Low down payment for purchasers e.g. \$200 on a \$20,000 loan	Chief Farm Management Economics Branch Winnipeg, MAN.
Terminates March 31, 1979		Vendor and purchaser have access to management advisor service	(204) 944-3493



Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>823 FARM LABOUR</b>			
<b>M.62 CANADA FRAM LABOUR POOL SYSTEM</b>			
Provide service of matching labourers seeking farm employment and farmers seeking employees	Anyone in Manitoba,	Placement of labourers	Canada Farm Labour Pool Managers at Dauphin
		Improvement of farm labour standards	(204) 638-8031
		Provision of payroll service to farmers receiving placements	Brandon (204) 727-4386 727-4391
			Portage La Prairie (204) 857-7809
			Selkirk (204) 482-6739
			Steinbach (204) 326-6779
			Winkler (204) 325-4389
			Canada Manpower Centres at Dauphin, Brandon Portage La Prairie & Morden, Steinbach and Selkirk

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>M.63 AGRICULTURAL MANPOWER SERVICES</b>			
Develop, organize and evaluate agricultural labour training courses	Canada Employment Training Program Courses	Federal Training Allowances	Agricultural Manpower Officer Community and Family Programs Branch Winnipeg, MAN.
Evaluate supply and demand of farm labour	Criteria include:  Functional Grade VII or level III BTSD For Farm Management Course, 3 years experience in commodity production, 2 years of farm management decision making  Gross annual production of under \$25,000 for FMC, over \$15,000 for other courses  Age 21-50 for FMC, 21-55 for courses in beef, crop, dairy, hog production and farm business planning  Age 21-45 for basic agricultural courses		(204) 475-2700

**832 FARM CREDIT****M.64 DIRECT LOANS TO FARMERS (PART III OF THE ACT)**

Provide short, intermediate and long-term production credit and counselling	Farmers, 18 years and older, who plan, operate and develop viable farms with farming intended to be principal occupation	Credit and management assistance  Loans up to \$60,000 except with Board of directors' approval	Interviewer or Field Representative Manitoba Agricultural Credit Corporation Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 786-3401
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Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>M.65 GUARANTEED AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION CREDIT (PART IV OF THE ACT)</b>			
Guarantee lines of credit made to farmers by approved lending institutions	Farmers, 18 years and older, who plan, operate and develop viable farms, with farming as principal occupation	Credit and management assistance  Loan guarantee up to \$60,000 except with Board of Directors' approval	Interviewer or Field Representative Manitoba Agricultural Credit Corporation Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 786-3401
<b>M.66 FARM CO-OPERATIVE AND CORPORATION AND PARTNERSHIP LOANS</b>			
Provide credit for establishment and sustenance of co-operative and corporate farm enterprises operated and controlled by farmers as a group	Farmer groups, with a minimum of 3 farmer members and 90% of the shares held by farmers	Loans up to \$60,000 assistance in planning, construction and business economics	Interviewer or Field Representative Manitoba Agricultural Credit Corporation Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 786-3401
<b>840 MARKETING</b>			
<b>M.67 MANITOBA MARKETING BOARD</b>			
Establishing marketing plans, for the marketing of regulated products under the Natural Products Marketing Act	All producers of the regulated products	Maximize returns to producer through marketing	Secretary Manitoba Marketing Board Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 783-7226
<b>M.68 MARKET IDENTIFICATION FOR MANITOBA AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS</b>			
Provide market research on new markets or products domestic and international	Marketing Boards, Producer Associations, Companies, Co-operatives	Market analysis  Financial Assistance	Market Development Officer Marketing Branch Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 783-7087

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>M.69 MARKET DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE FOR MANITOBA AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS</b>			
Assistance for development or expansion of markets for agricultural and food products	Marketing Boards, Companies, Producer Associations, Co-operatives	Financial Use of personnel	Market Development Officer Winnipeg, MAN. (204) 783-7087
<b>M.70 PROMOTIONAL ASSISTANCE FOR MANITOBA AGRICULTURAL AND FOOD PRODUCTS</b>			
Assist in promotion of agricultural and food products	Marketing Boards, Producer Groups, Co-operatives	Financial and technical	Market Development Officer Marketing Branch Winnipeg, MAN. (204) 783-7087
<b>M.71 AGRICULTURAL CROWN LAND LEASING PROGRAM</b>			
Lease crown land for hay, grazing or annual crop	Canadian farmers who most need to expand their land base	Financial assistance to leaseholders for authorized development of Crown land	Assistant Director Agricultural Crown Land Section (204) 786-9535
<b>M.72 MANITOBA INDIAN AGRICULTURAL PROGRAM</b>			
To establish 180 viable farm units on Indian Reserves	"Treaty" Indians	Farm management assistance Farm loans Farm development contributions Assistance from Native Extension Workers	Program Manager (204) 947-1647

## POLICIES AND PROGRAMS FOR AGRICULTURE

## RURAL SOCIOLOGY

## MANITOBA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>800 RURAL SOCIOLOGY</b>			
<b>M.73 AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES</b>			
Promote modern agriculture and Manitoba products	Not applicable	Financial assistance to agricultural societies, fairs and exhibitions	Superintendent Agricultural Societies Community and Family Programs Branch Winnipeg, MAN.
Assist 4-H and youth			(204) 475-2700
<b>M.74 AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION CENTRE</b>			
Provide adult education opportunities through short courses on agriculture and public affairs	Persons interested in education	Non-residential and residential short courses and facilities	Principal Agricultural Extension Centre Brandon, MAN.
			(204) 728-5724
<b>M.75 HORTICULTURAL SOCIETIES</b>			
Promote good horticultural techniques	Members of horticultural society	Grants for up to 400 members and 65% prize money paid out	Horticulturist Fruit Crops Soils and Crops Branch Winnipeg, MAN.
		Travelling expenses and stipend for judges of horticultural shows and home ground competitions	(204) 946-7801
		Professional assistance	

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>M.76 MANITOBA WOMEN'S INSTITUTE</b>			
Provide educational and leadership training for women	Women over 18 years old	Courses and papers	Executive Secretary Women's Institute Home Economics Directorate Department of Health and Development Winnipeg, MAN.
Provide communication with an organized group for initiating and carrying out projects			(204) 775-8682
<b>M.77 COMMUNITY AFFAIRS PROGRAM – RURAL DEVELOPMENT COUNSELLING (ARDA III)</b>			
Counsel rural people who are seeking to improve their economic situation and utilize ARDA and other programs	Rural Manitobans	Information and employment assistance	Chief Rural Development Services Community and Family Programs Branch Winnipeg, MAN.
Terminates December 31, 1978			(204) 475-2700
<b>M.78 HOME ECONOMICS</b>			
Increase level of rural living by providing education in money management, clothing, nutrition, housing, etc.	Rural homemakers Rural youth	Workshops, courses, pamphlets, visits	Director or Training and Programs Coordinator Extension Specialists Home Economics Directorate Department of Health and Social Development Winnipeg, MAN.
			(204) 775-8682



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<b>M.79      4-H AND YOUTH PROGRAMS</b>			
Provide educational activities and responsibilities	Rural Youth, age 9-19	Volunteer and professional youth leaders	Chief 4-H and Youth Section or 4-H and Youth Specialist Community and Family Programs Branch Winnipeg, MAN.  (204) 475-2700

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REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON POLICIES AND PROGRAMS

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The information in these handbooks, about both federal and provincial policies and programs, is available on computer and may be requested using this form. If you know the code numbers of the programs, so much the better. Otherwise, you can ask for the programs by title or subject (eg. B.17 - Dairy Herd Improvement, or all programs on Dairy). The information supplied will be a list of policies and programs by program number.

If you want additional information on a particular policy or program, write or call the contact specified in the right hand column of each policy and program summary.

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## POLICIES AND PROGRAMS FOR AGRICULTURE

## FIELD CROPS AND HORTICULTURE

## SASKATCHEWAN DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>100 FIELD CROPS</b>			
<b>S.01 CROP INSURANCE (FEDERAL-PROVINCIAL)</b>			
Provide for greater stability in returns to Saskatchewan farmers	Saskatchewan farmers	<p>An all-risk crop insurance plan is available to farm operators to cover losses on wheat, oats, barley, flax, mustard, rapeseed, sunflower, fall rye and unseeded summer-fallow</p> <p>Farmer has a choice of various coverage options for each crop and may make a claim if the number of bushels produced is less than his guarantee</p>	<p>Director Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Board Regina, SASK.  (306) 565-5050</p>
<b>S.02 GRANTS TO SEED CONTROL AREAS</b>			
	Established seed control areas	Up to \$100 a year is available to established seed control areas to cover administrative costs	<p>Director Plant Industry Branch Regina, SASK.  (306) 565-4661</p>

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>S.03 POLICY FOR CONSTRUCTION OF CO-OPERATIVE SEED CLEANING PLANTS</b>			
Encourage and promote use of clean seed by Saskatchewan farmers	A Saskatchewan seed cleaning co-operative association with a minimum of 100 bona fide farm members with combined total acreage of at least 200,000 acres	Department shares in total eligible capital cost of constructing approved seed cleaning facilities First \$300,000 50% Next \$150,000 30% to a maximum grant of \$180,000	Director Agricultural Engineering Services  (306) 565-6584
Provide financial assistance to organized farmer groups for construction of community seed cleaning plants	Association raises at least 75% of its part of capital cost of construction by sale of shares  Association applies for grant not later than July 31 in year preceding construction		

**S.04 SPECIAL CROP DEMONSTRATIONS**

To provide farmers with financial assistance and to offset costs they incur while developing expertise necessary for the production of special	Farmers	Applicants can be reimbursed for approved seeding and harvesting machinery rental and/or transportation costs and up to 70 percent of herbicides and of fertilizer costs maximum grant \$500	Director Plant Industry Branch Regina, SASK.  (306) 565-4661
Provide means through which investigations of most suitable agronomic crop production practices may be conducted			

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>120 FORAGE CROPS</b>			
<b>S.05 HAY CUTTING ON PROVINCIAL LAND</b>			
Provide for harvesting of hay from vacant provincial land	<p>Applications received prior to April 30 have equal rights</p> <p>After April 30 first come – first served basis</p>	<p>Permits are available to cut hay on provincial land at rates determined by the department of Agriculture</p> <p>Applicants must identify location of hay by the legal land description and estimate the tonnage</p>	<p>Director Lands Branch Regina, SASK.</p> <p>(306) 565-5177</p>
<b>130 PASTURES</b>			
<b>S.06 COMMUNITY PASTURES</b>			
Livestock Allocations Provide equitable allocation of available grazing privileges in provincial community pastures	<p>Livestock producer actively engaged in farming and obtaining at least 50% of this income from farming operations</p>	<p>Grazing, breeding and some veterinary services are provided and quotas are set to limit the number of livestock one farmer can place in a pasture</p>	<p>Director Lands Branch Regina, SASK.</p> <p>(306) 565-5177</p>
<b>S.07 LOSSES IN PROVINCIAL COMMUNITY PASTURES COMPENSATION</b>			
Provide compensation to pasture patrons for losses of cattle in a provincial community pasture	<p>Any patron of a provincial community pasture</p> <p>Patron must participate with all animals allotted</p>	<p>A voluntary insurance plan is available to cover cattle losses in community pastures at compensation levels of up to \$200 per animal lost</p>	<p>Director Lands Branch Regina, SASK.</p> <p>(306) 565-5177</p>

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## LIVESTOCK

## SASKATCHEWAN DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>400 LIVESTOCK</b>			
<b>S.08 POLLUTION BY LIVESTOCK</b>			
Control pollution created by intensive livestock operations	Livestock producers running an intensive livestock operation	Information on The Pollution (by Livestock) Control Act, 1972 is available to livestock operators so they may comply with the requirements of the Act in locating and operating their business	Director Family Farm Improvement Branch Regina, SASK.  (306) 565-6562
<b>S.09 RELOCATION OF INTENSIVE LIVESTOCK OPERATIONS</b>			
Assist intensive livestock operators who were established prior to the Act coming into effect to relocate their facility	Farmers	Technical assistance and consulting services for new facilities  Grants up to 50% of approved costs are available to relocate intensive livestock operations causing undue pollution or construction of pollution control works	Director Family farm Improvement Branch Regina, SASK.  (306) 565-6562

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>S.10 RECORD OF PERFORMANCE (ROP) PROGRAM (FEDERAL-PROVINCIAL)</b>			
Provide on a national basis uniform testing procedures and reporting	Livestock Breeders		Director Animal Industry Branch Regina, SASK.  (306) 565-5677
Provide breeders of livestock with a supervised appraisal of performance			
<b>S.10.01 Home Test</b>			
Provide breeders with a within-herd home test to evaluate offspring by measuring performance and to make selections	Breeders of either registered or commercial breeding beef cattle or swine or sheep	Voluntary test program which measure the performance of offspring in herds of beef cattle, swine and sheep are available to help the owners improve their herds  Department provides assistance in getting established in the program, weighing the offspring and evaluating the results of the test	Director Animal Industry Branch Regina, SASK.  (306) 565-5677
<b>S.10.02 Station Test</b>			
Evaluate male breeding animals from different herds under standard feeding and management conditions		These programs measure the performance of bulls and boars for the purpose of identifying potentially superior sires	Director Animal industry Branch Regina, SASK.  (306) 565-5677

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>S.11 ABATTOIR MEAT INSPECTION POLICY (FEDERAL-PROVINCIAL)</b>			
Provide meat inspection to operators of abattoirs not engaged in extra-provincial trade	Operators of abattoirs not engaged in extra-provincial trade "domestic plant"	A meat inspection service in which the province pays 50% of the inspection cost is available upon application to operators of abattoirs not engaged in extra-provincial trade	Chief Veterinary Services Branch Provincial Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory Regina, SASK.
Consumer protection			(306) 565-6423
<b>410 DAIRY</b>			
<b>S.12 DAIRY HERD TESTING</b>			
<b>S.12.01 Herd Improvement Service Policy Association Members</b>			
Encourage improvement in production of milk and butterfat in Saskatchewan dairy herds	Herds of ten or more dairy cows	A testing program to measure the quality and quantity of milk produced is conducted by department fieldmen and available at reasonable cost to dairymen who are members of a Herd Improvement Association	Director Animal Industry Branch Regina, SASK.
Provide a provincial-milk-recording program which allows dairymen to achieve herd improvement through accurate milk and butter fat production records and useful management information		Two plans of service are offered:  1. Supervised plan 2. owner-sampler plan	(306) 565-5677



Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
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<b>S.12.02</b>	<b>Non-members of Improvement Associations</b>		
		Individual dairy herd owners who are not members of a Herd Improvement Association may enroll free of charge in a departmental cow testing plan in which the owner takes the milk weights and samples	Director Animal Industry Branch Regina, SASK.  (306) 565-5677
<b>S.13</b>	<b>MILK CONTROL BOARD (FEDERAL-PROVINCIAL)</b>		
Administer the Saskatchewan market-share-Quota program designed to provide market security to producers and also to discourage over production		The board administers the Saskatchewan market-share program which prescribes areas of control for which schedules of prices are established for producers and consumers	Milk Control Board Regina, SASK.  (306) 565-5319
<b>420 BEEF CATTLE</b>			
<b>S.14</b>	<b>BULL RENTAL FOR PROVINCIAL COMMUNITY PASTURES</b>		
Department rental of approved bulls of required breeds from farmers to provide breeding services in Provincial Community Pastures	Farmers with breeding bulls	In addition to bulls purchased, acceptable bulls between 2 and 7 years of age are rented from individuals, at rates set by the department, for use in community pastures	Director Lands Branch Regina, SASK.  (306) 565-5177
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Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>S.15 CALF – CASH ADVANCE PROGRAM</b>			
Ensure beef cattle producers are not forced to sell calves at depressed prices owing to lack of operating capital	Bona fide farmers	Cash advance paid through bank or credit union at a maximum of \$75 per calf up to a maximum of 80 calves per individual	G.D.L. Hetland Saskatchewan Farm – Start Corporation  (306) 565-6467
More evenly distribute the flow of feeder cattle to market			
<b>430 SHEEP</b>			
<b>S.16 EWE LAMB RETENTION POLICY</b>			
Encourage sheep producers to retain or purchase ewe lambs to increase flock size by addition of quality lambs	Any Saskatchewan sheep producer increasing number of breeding ewes in flock  New producers establishing a breeding flock  Registered with Saskatchewan Sheep and Wool Marketing Commission  Records to substantiate eligibility under this policy  Ewe lambs added in excess of normal 20% replacement rate	Department pays a grant of \$10 an ewe lamb eligible  Maximum grant to 200 ewe lambs if single owner-operator or to 600 ewe lambs if applicant qualifies as multiple owner-operator	Director Animal Industry Branch  (306) 565-4677

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>S.17 FEDERAL-PROVINCIAL RECORD OF PERFORMANCE-SHEEP (HOME TEST FLOCK POLICY)</b>			
Provide performance-testing program suitable for identification of superior animals to aid sheep producers in selecting flock replacements	Any Saskatchewan breeder of purebred or commercial sheep  Flock of at least 20 breeding ewes  Suitable weighing facilities, flock identification system and record-keeping system	Saskatchewan Agriculture assists participating sheep breeders by interpreting data, and initially in helping set up weighing procedures	Director Animal Industry Branch  (306) 565-4677
<b>S.18 FREIGHT EQUALIZATION POLICY – SHEEP AND WOOL</b>			
Equalize freight to the Provincial border for all Saskatchewan sheep producers	Saskatchewan sheep producers  Slaughter sheep or lambs handled by the Saskatchewan Sheep and Wool Marketing Commission	Sheep producers pay the shipping rate per animal from Saskatchewan assembly point to the Provincial border crossed on way to market  Department pays grant of \$40,000 to the Commission which pays the producers for animals shipped	Mr. M. Lynch Sheep and Wool Marketing Commission Saskatoon, SASK.  (306) 653-2970
<b>S.19 SHEEP FLOCK HEALTH POLICY</b>			
Assist sheep producers in carrying out a flock health monitoring system and implementing disease prevention methods	Sheep producer with flock of at least 30 ewes  Registered with the Saskatchewan Sheep and Wool Marketing Commission	Department through the Commission refunds to producers 75% of all farm expenses (Excludes Veterinarians travel time, transportation costs, and medication)	Mr. M. Lynch Sheep and Wool Marketing Commission Saskatoon, SASK.  (306) 653-2970
Encourage better use of diagnostic laboratories in Saskatoon and Regina		Maximum of four visits by Veterinarian a year	

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## S.20 SASKATCHEWAN SHEEP AND WOOL MARKETING COMMISSION

Establish Commission and enable it to promote, control and regulate the marketing of sheep and wool	Saskatchewan sheep and wool producers	The commission co-ordinates slaughter and marketing and promotes consumption of sheep and lamb in Saskatchewan	Saskatchewan Sheep and Wool Marketing Commission 1402 Quebec Avenue Saskatoon, SASK.
Establish the Saskatchewan Sheep and Wool Marketing Plan		It also carries out research and educational programs related to the production and marketing of sheep and wool within the province	(306) 653-2970

## 440 SWINE

### S.21 SWINE HERD HEALTH POLICY

Provide at reasonable cost to swine producers, and inspection diagnostic and advisory service	Registered swine herd with minimum of ten purebred sows	A voluntary herd inspection, diagnostic, advisory and laboratory service is available to owners with a sufficiently large herd who agree to share 50 percent of the inspection costs with the department	Veterinary Services Branch Provincial Veterinary Diagnostic Regina, SASK.
Determine disease incidence	Commercial operations minimum of 20 sows or sell at least 300 pigs per year		(306) 565-6423
Increase productivity of herds by disease control and improved management			
Provide a nucleus of swine herds of high health standards for supplying breeding stock			

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>S.22 SASKATCHEWAN HOG MARKETING COMMISSION</b>			
Establish Commission and implement a plan for the promotion, control and regulation of marketing of hogs within the province	Saskatchewan hog Producers	<p>Markets all Saskatchewan slaughter hogs and engages in market development for hogs and pork products in domestic and export markets</p> <p>All commercial truckers, assemblers and processors associated with the hog industry in Saskatchewan are licensed by the commission</p> <p>A free weanling and feeder hog listing service is provided by the commission and counselling on production and management is available through the Pork Production Promotion Committee</p>	<p>Saskatchewan Hog Marketing Commission 1402 Quebec Avenue Saskatoon, SASK.  (306) 667-2003</p>
<b>450 POULTRY</b>			
<b>S.23 HATCHERY SUPPLY FLOCK POLICY</b>			
Assist in establishing a reliable source of hatching eggs	Hatchery supply flocks of not less than 100 banded female chickens or 50 female turkeys	Flocks are inspected and tested for pollorum - typhoid disease and premises and flocks are graded and certificate is issued	Director Animal Industry Branch Regina, SASK.  (306) 565-4677
Assist in control of poultry diseases for the benefit of flock owners and purchasers of baby chicks or turkey poult		Department personnel provide technical assistance to flock owners	
Encourage improved feeding, housing and management practices			



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## 460 HORSES

## S.24 GRANTS FOR HORSE RACING

Provide financial assistance to Saskatchewan agricultural societies and exhibitions for conducting horse race meets	Saskatchewan agricultural societies and exhibitions	Sponsors paying a total parimutual tax of \$15,000 or less may receive a grant equal to a rebate of 100 percent of parimutuel tax paid	Director Administrative Services Regina, SASK.  (306) 565-5140
Maintain a high standard of quality in horse racing		Sponsors of horse race meets paying a total parimutual tax of more than \$15,000 may receive a rebate in 1978 paid at 93 percent of parimutual tax	
Encourage a higher percentage of Saskatchewan-owned race horses at race meets in Saskatchewan			



## POLICIES AND PROGRAMS FOR AGRICULTURE

## SOILS

## SASKATCHEWAN DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>500 SOILS</b>			
<b>560 IRRIGATION</b>			
<b>S.25 ALLOCATION OF IRRIGABLE LAND</b>			
Allocate irrigable vacant provincial land to farmers to help establish an adequate land base for profitable farming operations	<p>Farmers and in some cases partnerships and corporations</p> <p>Priority given to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Adding land to existing units</li> <li>2) Allocating land to sons of a farmer in area</li> <li>3) Establishing new farm units producing specialized crops</li> </ol> <p>specialized livestock</p>	<p>Irrigable land in the South Saskatchewan River Irrigation Project and in other small irrigation projects belonging to the crown is available to partnerships or corporations</p> <p>Leases in the South Saskatchewan River Irrigation Project usually contain an option to purchase and are for a 10-year term</p> <p>Other leases are for 5 year terms and do not provide for purchase options</p> <p>Allocations are made according to fixed criteria and an appeal board receives written appeals from unsuccessful applicants</p>	<p>Lands Branch Regina, SASK.</p> <p>(306) 565-5177</p>

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>S.26 ASSISTANCE POLICY FOR IRRIGATION DEVELOPMENT</b>			
Assist farmers who control land suited to irrigation and can procure an adequate water supply to develop irrigation primarily for fodder production specialized crops or market gardens	Farmers controlling land suited to irrigation and can procure an adequate water supply	Grants of one third of eligible costs to a maximum of \$35 an acre and technical assistance are available for land levelling or sprinkler irrigation development outside the South Saskatchewan River Irrigation Project  In addition, loans up to \$80,000 per farmer are available through Farm-Start at a 6 3/4 percent interest rate to cover the remaining costs	Conservation and Land Improvement Branch Regina, SASK.  (306) 565-6400  Saskatchewan FarmStart Corporation Regina, SASK.  (306) 565-6462

**S.27 WATER CONTROL PROJECTS**

Alleviate flooding and drainage problems associated with agricultural lands and to advance soil and water conservation	Farmers organized groups such as Conservation and Development Areas, Watershed Associations, also municipalities	Engineering and technical services are available free of charge for the investigation, survey, design and construction of water control projects  For organized groups such as Conservation and Development Areas and Watershed Associations, the costs of constructing works are shared  For the maintenance of constructed works, engineering services are provided free of charge and grants equal to two-thirds of costs are made	Conservation and Land Improvement Branch Regina, SASK.  (306) 565-6400
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Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>581 LAND CLEARING AND DEVELOPMENT</b>			
<b>S.28 LAND IMPROVEMENT</b>			
<b>S.28.01 Cultivation Leases</b>			
Assist farmers who have cultivation leases from department to clear and break arable acreage	Farmers with cultivation leases from Saskatchewan Department of Agriculture	The full cost of clearing, breaking and root picking up to \$85 an acre may be paid on approved applications	Director Lands Branch Regina, SASK.  (306) 565-5177
Improve income position of small family farm by increasing cultivated land in the farm unit			
<b>S.28.02 Grazing Leases</b>			
Encourage farmers and ranchers to develop land suitable for improvement	Farmer leasees who hold grazing leases from the Saskatchewan Department of Agriculture	Upon approved application, the cost of improvement will be paid by the department, including clearing, breaking, root picking, seeding and spraying, if required, up to set maximum rates per acre	Director Lands Branch Regina, SASK.  (306) 565-5177
<b>S.28.03 Co-operative Grazing Associations (Federal-provincial)</b>			
	Co-operative grazing associations using crown land	Associations using crown land and having at least six members may receive financial assistance up to \$800 a member for fence and corral construction	Lands Branch Regina, SASK.  (306) 565-5177  Water Development Services

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
		Assistance for water development is available from the PFRA and the Family Farm Improvement Branch	Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Administration Regina, SASK.  (306) 569-5110  Family Farm Improvement Branch Regina, SASK.  (306) 565-6562

## 582 IRRIGATION DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

### S.29 SOUTH SASKATCHEWAN RIVER IRRIGATION PROJECT LAND PURCHASE POLICY

Aid farmers who own irrigable land located in the South Saskatchewan River Irrigation Project and who do not want to commit themselves to developing their land for irrigation	Farmers and ranchers interested in disposing of irrigable land or leasing irrigable land	In addition to the evaluated price, the government will pay a bonus of \$15 a cultivated acre for land in District No. 1 of the irrigation project so irrigable land there may be developed as soon as possible  Land Purchased under this policy will be leased only to farmers interested in irrigation farming thereby reducing their immediate capital needs to acquire land	Saskatchewan Land Bank Commission Regina, SASK.  (306) 565-5321
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Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>585 PUBLIC DEVELOPMENT POLICIES</b>			
<b>S.30 SASKATCHEWAN LAND BANK COMMISSION</b>			
To provide a continuous sales opportunity for people owning land in Saskatchewan, facilitate the transfer of farms and provides an alternative to individual purchase of land	<p>Saskatchewan residents</p> <p>To qualify for a lease:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) farming to be principal operation</li> <li>b) net worth not exceeding \$113,000 (applicant and spouse)</li> <li>c) 3-year net income average not exceeding \$18,000</li> <li>d) Canadian citizens or landed immigrants</li> </ul>	<p>The Land Bank will buy land from farmers at competitive market prices determined by experienced appraisers and will lease land to successful applicants on a cash rental basis giving them an opportunity to purchase after 5 years</p>	<p>Saskatchewan Land Bank Commission Regina, SASK.</p> <p>(306) 565-5321</p>
<b>S.31 LEASING OF PROVINCIAL LANDS</b>			
Provide an equitable method of allocating vacant provincial lands	<p>Farmers and ranchers over 18 years and under 65 with secure tenure, adequate capital and credit to farm adequately</p>	<p>Where crown lands are available for lease to farmers and ranchers, the allocation is made upon application according to a point system based on an established schedule</p> <p>An Allocation Appeal Board deals with written appeals received from unsuccessful applicants</p>	<p>Director Lands Branch Regina, SASK.</p> <p>(306) 565-5177</p>



Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>S.32 SALE OF CULTIVATED PROVINCIAL LANDS</b>			
Provide for sale to leaseholders quarter sections with a minimum of 80 arable acres or parcels with a minimum of 50 percent of its acreage arable and a minimum of 50 acres under cultivation	<p>Bona fide farmers 5 years satisfactory tenure</p> <p>No person other than lessee may purchase land held under lease</p> <p>No debt against leased land</p>	Crown land which has at least 50% of its acreage under cultivation may be considered for sale to the lessees after 5 years satisfactory tenure provided they are bona fide farmers	<p>Director Lands Branch Regina, SASK.</p> <p>(306) 565-5177</p>
<b>S.33 NON-AGRICULTURAL DISPOSITIONS OF PROVINCIAL LAND</b>			
<b>S.33.01 Sand and Gravel</b>			
Control of land resources	Individuals, companies and agencies requiring acreage and access for quarrying operations	Standardized procedures for the granting of surface dispositions on land administered by the Department of Agriculture for the extraction of sand, gravel and industrial clays	<p>Director Lands Branch Regina, SASK.</p> <p>(306) 565-5177</p>
<b>S.33.02 Roads and Highways</b>			
Control of land resources	An agency requiring right of way	Regulations which must be followed in the disposition of land administered by the Department of Agriculture for road widening or new road construction	<p>Lands Branch Regina, SASK.</p> <p>(306) 565-5177</p>



Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>S.33.03 Compensation on Petroleum and Gas Sites</b>			
Provide compensation to lessees holding agricultural leases from Department of Agriculture	Lessees of land administered by the Sask. Department of Agriculture	A lessee of land administered by the Department of Agriculture will receive a percentage of the compensation paid to the department if the drilling takes place after an agricultural lease is in effect	Lands Branch Regina, SASK.  (306) 565-5177

**588 LAND USE****S.34 ASSISTANCE FOR REGIONAL PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT**

Provide assistance to organized groups in identifying needs and planning agricultural improvement projects and programs	Organizations and individuals recommended by agricultural representative and approved by regional co-ordinator or director of branch	Up to \$5,000 is available in each Agricultural Extension Region for allocation to rural municipalities, local improvement districts, Indian bands or other organized groups to conduct approved resource-use surveys and meetings to plan and carry out specific projects	Regional Extension Services Branch Regina, SASK.  (306) 565-5216
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## POLICIES AND PROGRAMS FOR AGRICULTURE

## INSECTS, DISEASES AND PESTS

## SASKATCHEWAN DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>600 INSECTS – DISEASES – PESTS</b>			
<b>620 PLANT INSECTS</b>			
<b>S.35 INSECT CONTROL</b>			
To ensure that stocks of insecticides are available to farmers to combat outbreaks of insects and to provide at cost such insecticides to municipalities or other outlets designated by municipalities	Farmers, Rural Municipalities, Local Improvement Districts	The Department of Agriculture makes available chemicals for grasshopper and cutworm control to outlets authorized by municipalities for resale to farmers	Plant Industry Branch Regina, SASK.  (306) 565-4661
<b>640 WEEDS</b>			
<b>S.36 WEED CONTROL</b>			
To assist farmers municipalities and LID'S with control and Eradication of Leafy Spurge, Russian Knapweed Hoary Cress, Toadflax, Bladder Campion, and scentless chamomile	Farmers  Rural Municipalities  Local Improvement Districts	Financial assistance is available to rural municipalities and Local Improvement Districts and for chemical or cultivation control of Leafy Spurge, Russian Knapweed, Hoary Cress, Toadflax and Bladder Campion	Plant Industry Branch Regina, SASK.  (306) 565-4661

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>S.37 WEED AND INSECT CONTROL ON UNLEASED CROWN LAND</b>			
Weed and insect control on unleased crown land	Rural Municipalities  Local Improvement Districts	Where insect and weed control problems arise on unleased crown land, rural municipalities and Local Improvement Districts must receive authorization for any work carried out in order to qualify for reimbursement by the Department	Lands Branch Regina, SASK.  (306) 565-5177
<b>650 ANIMAL PARASITES</b>			
<b>S.38 WARBLE CONTROL</b>			
Assist livestock producers in reducing annual losses caused by warble flies	Livestock producers	A consulting service, educational program, financial assistance and an inspection service for cattle delivered to public markets are available through area warble control committees where two-thirds of the rural municipalities and Local Improvement Districts in a warble control area support such a program	Animal Industry Branch Regina, SASK.  (306) 565-4677

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>660 LIVESTOCK DISEASES</b>			
<b>S.39 DISTRICT VETERINARY CLINICS</b>			
Assist financially in the maintenance and construction of animal clinics	Veterinary service district boards	Shared cost grants up to \$25,000 for constructing and \$1,000 per year for maintaining regional veterinary clinics are available to veterinary service district boards	Director Veterinary Services Branch Provincial Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory Regina, SASK.  (306) 565-6423
<b>S.40 VETERINARIANS' TRAVELLING COSTS</b>			
Financially assist veterinary service district board to pay the services of veterinarians serving the district	Veterinary service district boards	Shared cost grants of \$3,000 for a one-man practice and \$5,000 maximum for a two-man practice are available to veterinary service district boards to aid in paying veterinarian's travelling costs	Director Veterinary Services Branch Provincial Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory Regina, SASK.  (306) 565-6423
<b>S.41 SUMMER EMPLOYMENT OF VETERINARY STUDENTS POLICY – VETERINARY STUDENT EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM</b>			
Provide means whereby veterinary students can receive practical experience in veterinary practices during undergraduate years	Priority given to students who are Saskatchewan residents  Department may grant permission for	First and second year veterinary students are financed by the department for 3 months of summer employment	Director Veterinary Services Branch Regina, SASK.  (306) 565-6423

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
Encourage students to remain in Saskatchewan after graduation	participation of non-resident students	Third year students are eligible for up to 6 weeks of financial assistance from the department	
Assist undergraduate students to find summer employment with a veterinary practitioner	Applies to both large and small animal practices		

#### S.42 LOSSES DUE TO RABIES (FEDERAL-PROVINCIAL)

Assist in control of rabies in farm animals and to encourage prompt reporting of suspected cases	Livestock Producers	Compensation is available on reported cases for cattle, horses, sheep, swine and goats that are lost due to rabies provided the disease has been confirmed by a federal laboratory	Veterinary Services Branch Provincial Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory Regina, SASK.  (306) 565-6473  CDA Health of Animals Branch Regina, SASK.  (306) 569-5210
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#### 680 NOXIOUS AND WILDLIFE

##### S.43 COYOTE CONTROL

Provide assistance to livestock producers for control of coyotes where losses of domestic livestock have occurred	Sheep Producers  Rural Municipalities	Subject to certain regulations, the Department of Agriculture will refund 75 percent of the cost of a department-directed poison bait program undertaken by a municipality or individual sheep producer	Animal Industry Branch Regina, SASK.  (306) 565-4677
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## POLICIES AND PROGRAMS FOR AGRICULTURE

## ENGINEERING

## SASKATCHEWAN DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>700 AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERING</b>			
<b>710 FARM BUILDINGS</b>			
<b>S.44 FARM BUILDINGS PLAN SERVICE (FEDERAL-PROVINCIAL)</b>			
Design and develop plans for farmstead structures and handling systems that are suitable for Saskatchewan conditions	Farmers, ranchers, and others	Detail building plans for various types of livestock housing and other farm buildings are available  Technical assistance and consultant services are also provided free of charge	Agricultural Engineering Services Regina, SASK.  (306) 565-6584
<b>740 FIELD MACHINERY</b>			
<b>S.45 AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS BOARD</b>			
Administer the Agricultural Implement Act  To improve availability of repair parts and services for agricultural implements and to protect the farmer consumer against losses or breach of agreements	Farmers	The board investigates complaints on farm machinery and provides a fund out of which farmers can be compensated for losses incurred because of an unreasonable delay in obtaining repair parts, or where conditions and warranties specified in a contract are not fulfilled	Agricultural Implements Board Regina, SASK.  (306) 565-5291



Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>754 WATER, STORAGE AND CONSERVATION</b>			
<b>S.46 TEST WELL DRILLING</b>			
Help farmers locate adequate water supplies and provide useful information for locating additional ground water supplies	Bona fide farmer (owner or tenant of a farm of 100 acres or more which produces agricultural products, or of a farm with average yearly sales of agricultural products exceeding \$4,200)	<p>Technical advice and one grant per farmstead are available on approved applications for test drilling and "E" logging</p> <p>Grants are based on 50% of the eligible cost of "E" logging and test drilling to a maximum grant of \$1.00 per foot to a depth specified by the branch</p>	<p>Family Farm Improvement Branch Regina, SASK.</p> <p>(306) 565-6560</p>
<b>S.47 EMERGENCY FARM DUGOUT PUMPING SERVICE</b>			
Make provisions for farm dugout pumping under a rental program or a group program as an emergency service in areas of water shortages	Farmers and rural communities	Pumping equipment is available for rent from the Operations Section of the Conservation and Land Improvement Branch to farmers and communities who are experiencing water shortages and wish to fill dugouts and reservoirs	<p>Conservation and Land Improvement Branch Regina, SASK.</p> <p>(306) 565-6400</p>

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>S.48 WATER AND SEWAGE</b>			
<b>S.48.01 Farms Water And Sewage</b>			
Help Saskatchewan farmers install farm water and sewage systems	Farmers	Technical assistance, cost estimates, short educational courses, laboratory services for water, a material ordering service and grants up to \$300 are available to all farmers who install water and sewage systems	Family Farm Improvement Branch Regina, SASK.  (306) 565-6560
<b>S.48.02 Small Community Water and Sewage</b>			
Help local governments install community water and sewage systems in communities with less than 250 people	Hamlets, settlements and small villages with populations up to 250 people	Technical assistance, cost estimates, a material ordering service and grants from the Municipal Water Assistance Board are available to communities with populations of up to 250 people for installing water and sewage systems	Family Farm Improvement Branch Regina, SASK.  (306) 565-6560

## POLICIES AND PROGRAMS FOR AGRICULTURE

## AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS AND AGRELATURE

## SASKATCHEWAN DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>800 AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS</b>			
<b>810 FARM MANAGEMENT</b>			
<b>S.49 CANFARM (FEDERAL-PROVINCIAL)</b>			
Provide a computerized accounting system for farmers to assist with accounting problem identification and evaluation of alternatives	Farmers and ranchers	<p>A national program that provides a computerized monthly mail-in service to aid farmers in keeping accurate accounts of their production and financial situation</p> <p>Technical assistance is available to help individuals get started in the program</p>	<p>Regional Extension Services Branch Regina, SASK.</p> <p>(306) 565-5216</p>
<b>832 FARM CREDIT</b>			
<b>S.50 FARMSTART</b>			
Assist farmers and potential farmers who face difficulties in developing economic farm units	<p>Farmers and potential farmers</p> <p>Grants available to persons with net</p>	<p>Maximum loan to individual \$80,000 or amount to bring productive assets to \$180,000</p>	<p>Saskatchewan FarmStart Corporation Regina, SASK.</p> <p>(306) 565-6467</p>

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
Assist with diversifying Saskatchewan agriculture to stimulate an increase in income and employment by additional livestock production	worth of \$60,000 or less and net income of \$15,000 or less per year productive assets cannot exceed \$180,000	<p>Grants are available when applicant undertakes establishment or expansion of livestock production and has a net worth of less than \$36,000 each thousand dollars of net worth below this amount will increase the grant by \$500 to a maximum of \$8,000</p> <p>Also grant limited to \$1.00 for each \$4.00 of expansion</p> <p>Farm Start loans have a maximum repayment of 15 years. Interest charges are 6-3/4 percent for the first 5 years and 8-3/4 percent for remaining 10 years</p> <p>Subject to review</p>	

## 840 MARKETING

### S.51 MARKET DEVELOPMENT FUND

Provide assistance for the promotion and development of markets for agricultural products produced in Saskatchewan	Individuals, corporations, co-operatives, agricultural associations or marketing agencies	Grants are available to cover 50% of the cost of approved projects designed to improve the marketing of Saskatchewan agricultural products by developing new products for marketing, developing and penetrating new markets or improving existing markets	<p>Director Marketing And Economics Branch Regina, SASK.</p> <p>(306) 565-5940</p>
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**870 FARM POLICY****S.52 SMALL FARM DEVELOPMENT (FEDERAL-PROVINCIAL)**

Enable small-farm owners to purchase additional land and financially assist those who want to enter other occupations or retire	Small-farm owners	Provides low down payment loans to small farm operators expanding their farm holdings	Farm Credit Corporation Regina, SASK.  (306) 569-5610
	Real estate sale price not to exceed \$40,000		
	Productive assets of buyer not to exceed \$60,000	Provides assistance grants up to \$3,500 for small farmers who wish to enter other occupations or retire	
		Provides counselling and listing services	

**000 AGRELATURE****010 AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION****S.53 DISTRICT AGRICULTURAL FIELDMEN**

Provide earned assistance supervision of various agricultural improvement projects being conducted by rural municipalities and local improvement districts	Rural Municipalities and Local Improvement Districts	Up to \$3,000 per agricultural extension district is available for supervision by district agricultural fieldmen on approved agricultural improvement projects such as pest control, weed control, tree planting, etc.	Director Regional Extension Services Branch Regina, SASK.  (306) 565-5216
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Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>S.54 AGRICULTURAL MANPOWER TRAINING COURSES (FEDERAL-PROVINCIAL)</b>			
Occupational training for adults	Farmers	Participants in manpower training courses on various farm business and production topics receive manpower training allowance	Co-ordinator Manpower Programs Regina, SASK.  (306) 565-5216
<b>050 FARM ORGANIZATIONS</b>			
<b>S.55 GRANTS TO AGRICULTURAL ORGANIZATIONS AND EXHIBITORS</b>			
Provide financial assistance to agricultural organizations to assist them in promotion of agricultural activities	Agricultural Organizations	Grants of various sizes are available, upon approved applications, to various agricultural organizations such as exhibition associations, agricultural societies, 4-H clubs, farm organizations, livestock associations and others	Administrative Services Regina, SASK.  (306) 565-5140
Encourage and promote exhibition of Saskatchewan agricultural products			



## REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON POLICIES AND PROGRAMS

**Note:** This service is available only to decision-making heads in government departments, universities and agricultural organizations.

The information in these handbooks, about both federal and provincial policies and programs, is available on computer and may be requested using this form. If you know the code numbers of the programs, so much the better. Otherwise, you can ask for the program by title or subject (eg. B.17 - Dairy Herd Improvement, or all programs on Dairy). The information supplied will be a list of policies and programs by program number.

If you want additional information on a particular policy or program, write or call the contact specified in the right hand column of each policy and program summary.

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Program Number	Title or Subject

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## AGRELATURE

## ALBERTA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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<b>000 AGRELATURE</b>			
<b>010 AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION</b>			
<b>A.01 EXTENSION DIVISION DISTRICT AGRICULTURIST</b>			
Provide information to the rural community so they may acquire and maintain a satisfactory standard of living	All members of the farming community	Short courses, general meetings, individual contact and associated services  62 District office locations	Extension Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-2402
<b>A.02 DISTRICT HOME ECONOMIST</b>			
Provide subject matter information to the rural family so as to strengthen the family and rural community	General public in rural areas	Workshops, seminars, meetings, individual counselling, and associated services	Home Economics and 4-H Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-2409
Administer, develop and implement 4-H programs. Provide information and support to rural families, leaders and members involved in the 4-H program. ("Learn To Do By Doing")	Rural Albertans, 10-21 years of age, 4-H leaders and families		

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>A.03 AGRICULTURAL LAW</b>			
Have farmers and farm groups familiar with the laws, particularly those relating to agriculture	All Albertans involved in agriculture	Meetings, short courses, individual counselling	Agricultural Law Specialist Lethbridge, ALTA.  (403) 329-5131
<b>A.04 PUBLICATIONS</b>			
Supply printed matter regarding agriculture and home economics	General public	Free distribution	Editorial Supervisor Publications Branch Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-2121
<b>A.05 AGRI-NEWS RELEASES</b>			
Provide Information re policy, agriculture and general interest	Producers, agri-business	Free distribution	Editor, Agri-News Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-2127
<b>A.06 GREEN CERTIFICATE PROGRAM FARMER TRAINING</b>			
Provide necessary on-farm and institutional training to young people choosing farming as a vocation	Mature young people who are interested in farming and are prepared to acquire necessary skills and knowledge through on-farm and institutional training	Selected individuals are trained on approved training farms and at agricultural training institutions  The training farmer is reimbursed 40 - 60% of trainees wages board and room by both levels of government (50:50)	Director Farm Training Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-2173



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For the institutional training, the trainee receives a training allowance plus tuition (In second year of program Alberta financed this part)

### 030 AGRICULTURAL AGENCIES

#### A.07 AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARDS

Provide for participation between provincial and local governments on joint programs	All municipalities, counties and improvement districts	Grants provided on a share basis with local authorities	Rural Services Engineering and Rural Services Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-2171
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#### A.08 AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES PROGRAM

Encourage improvement in agriculture and home making, to enhance rural living by assisting communities	General public and rural communities	Financial and resource assistance in support of Society functions  Grant for prize money for fairs and shows and judges honorarium  \$50,000 once only grant for providing multi-purpose agricultural and recreational facilities	Rural Services Engineering and Rural Services Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-2171
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## POLICIES AND PROGRAMS FOR AGRICULTURE

## FIELD CROPS AND LIVESTOCK

## ALBERTA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>100 FIELD CROPS</b>			
<b>A.09 100/200/400 PLANT INDUSTRY LABORATORY</b>			
Provide laboratory and diagnostic services for plant disease and production problems, plant identification, insect and animal specimens	Producers in Alberta	Laboratory analysis of specimens submitted through branch or district offices, municipalities, etc., with case history  Major problems followed up by field investigation to find cause and solution	Plant Industry Laboratory Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 436-9060
<b>A.10 CROP IMPROVEMENT</b>			
Improve efficiency of crop production with information on production techniques, new varieties and disease problems	Alberta producers, allied industry	Meetings, general information, short courses, individual consultation	Field Crops Branch Plant Industry Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-5340
<b>A.11 MUNICIPAL SEED CLEANING PLANT</b>			
Provide high quality seed and minimize spread of weed seeds	Alberta producers and industry	Grant covering 1/3 of construction costs, information guidance, construction materials, operation of plants	Supervisor, Cereal Crops Plant Industry Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-5340

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>134 RANGE CROPS</b>			
<b>A.12 NATIVE RANGE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM</b>			
To promote the most efficient use of Alberta's agricultural resources and increase farm and ranch income by assisting and promoting range improvement practices	Primary producers	A.F.D.L.'s (Alberta Farm Development Loan). Individuals may receive an incentive rebate of \$70 per \$1,000 of loan eligible (\$6,000 for individual farms or ranches and for partnerships and companies \$6,000 plus \$3,000 for each additional family to a maximum of \$12,000), for each of 5 years	Agricultural Development Corporation Camrose, ALTA.  (403) 672-3347

**200 HORTICULTURE****A.13 HORTICULTURE LIAISON**

Dissemination information on all aspects of horticulture	Alberta residents	General information in areas of ornamentals, fruits, vegetables, lawns and native plants	Horticulture Branch Plant Industry Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-5371
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**A.14 VEGETABLE PRODUCTION LOAN PROGRAM**

To improve vegetable production in Alberta by assisting vegetable producers to purchase equipment specifically used for vegetable production	Qualified vegetable producers	Lending to a maximum of \$50,000 at a lender's prime lending rate plus a maximum of 1%. An annual incentive rebate payment equal to 2% of the declining principal balance for the term of the loan is available	Agricultural Development Corporation Camrose, ALTA.  (403) 672-3347  or
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Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
			Horticulture Branch Plant Industry Division  Edmonton, ALTA  (403) 427-5337
<b>A.15 MARKET GARDEN DEVELOPMENT</b>			
Increase Market Garden production in Alberta	Market gardeners with minimum of 2 acres of vegetables (excluding potatoes) and bearing strawberries and raspberries	Grant payments is \$200 for 2 acres min. or \$300 for 3 or more acres of vegetables and/or fruit production towards purchase of seed, fertilizer, equipment, etc.	Horticulture Branch Plant Industry Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-5337
<b>270 ORNAMENTALS</b>			
<b>A.16 PROVINCIAL SHELTERBELT</b>			
Improve landscape design of farmsteads and to increase field survival of shelterbelt material	Alberta farmers and residents in general	Information and publications available on request  Farmers eligible for tree distribution for shelter - belt and farmstead planting	Horticulture Branch Plant Industry Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-5349

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>400 LIVESTOCK</b>			
<b>400/500 FEED &amp; SOIL TESTING</b>			
<b>A.17 SOIL AND FEED TESTING</b>			
Provide farmers with information and recommendations as to soil and feed testing results	Farmers, ranchers, gardeners and most feed and fertilizer dealers	Detailed recommendations as to soil nutrient levels, recommendations for fertilizers application  Recommendations of rations feed, \$2.00 sample fee	Director, Soil and Feed Testing Laboratory Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 436-9150
<b>400 CATTLE</b>			
<b>A.18 LIVESTOCK AND SEMEN FUND</b>			
Increase semen production and sales from Alberta	Breed associations, semen producers, breeders or exporters	Financial assistance up to \$20,000 for technical assistance and marketing development projects	Commodity Development Branch Marketing Services Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-5398
<b>A.19 LIVESTOCK DISASTER INDEMNITY PROGRAM</b>			
Alleviate financial loss of livestock due to predators	Alberta farmers	Paid after the loss of animals having a total value of \$100 or more	Chairman Livestock Disaster Indemnity Program Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 435-9817

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>A.20 LIVESTOCK REGULATORY SERVICES</b>			
Regulate movement and shipping of horses and cattle, guard against theft and unscrupulous trade practices and deal with stray animal problems	Producers and livestock industry in Alberta	Registration of brands, brand inspection, licensing of livestock dealers, stock yards, butchers, etc.	Regulatory Services Animal Industry Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-5097  Stettler, ALTA.  (403) 742-4481
<b>410 DAIRY</b>			
<b>A.21 DAIRY FARM INSPECTORS</b>			
Maintain a high standard of milk	Fluid milk producers	Inspection of premises, assistance in problem-solving, premise layout  Farm tank calibration, certification of fluid milk shippers	Head Dairy Farm Inspection Branch Dairy Division Wetaskiwin, ALTA.  (403) 429-2735
<b>A.22 DAIRY HERD IMPROVEMENT</b>			
Provide information on dairy herd management to allow for efficient management decisions	All Alberta breeders and owners of dairy cattle	Computerized record of production, information on breeding, feeding and management	Head Dairy Cattle Improvement Branch Dairy Division Wetaskiwin, ALTA.  (403) 429-2735



Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>A.23 DAIRY CONTROL BOARD</b>			
Control the purchase and sale of fluid milk in Alberta	Milk producers and processors	Enforcement of market regulations, establishment of milk prices, administration of subsidies	Chairman Dairy Control Board Wetaskiwin, ALTA.  (403) 429-2735
<b>A.24 DAIRY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM</b>			
To promote the most efficient use of Alberta's agricultural resources through the development of viable dairy operations	Supplier of dairy products to any licensed dairy product manufacturer	A.F.D.L. (Alberta Farm Development Loan). Individuals may receive incentive rebate payments of \$70 per \$1,000 of loan eligible to a maximum of \$12,000. For partners and companies the loan eligible is \$12,000 for the first family plus \$6,000 for each additional family to a maximum of \$24,000. The incentive rebate payments are available for 3 years.	Agricultural Development Corporation Camrose, ALTA.  (403) 672-3347
<b>A.25 DAIRY PLANT INSPECTION AND ADVISORY SERVICES</b>			
Provide inspection, bonding and licensing of dairy plants	Milk plants and milk producers	Advise in plant processing methods, sanitation and trouble shooting on quality problems	Head Dairy Plant Inspection Branch Dairy Division Wetaskiwin, ALTA.  (403) 429-2735

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>420/430 BEEF CATTLE AND SHEEP</b>			
<b>A.26      RECORD OF PERFORMANCE</b>			
Aid beef cattle and sheep producers in improving efficiency of livestock	All livestock producers	Performance record, management information	Supervisor Beef Cattle Supervisor Sheep Performance Testing Animal Industry Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-5079  Calgary, ALTA.  (403) 261-6351
<b>420 BEEF CATTLE</b>			
<b>A.27      FEEDER ASSOCIATIONS</b>			
Financial assistance for acquiring cattle and lambs for growing and/or finishing	All farmers who became members of a feeder association	Services and financial guarantee to feeder associations	Supervisor Feeder Association Animal Industry Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-5096
<b>430 SHEEP</b>			
<b>A.28      EWE LAMB RETENTION</b>			
Encourage Alberta's sheep production	All sheep producers	Grant of \$15 for each sheep retained that results in an increase in a sheep flock over 15% replacement level	Livestock Supervisor (Sheep) Animal Industry Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-2079

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
		Grants paid on a maximum of 200-head increase	Calgary, ALTA. (403) 261-6351
<b>440 SWINE</b>			
<b>A.29 PIG NUTRITION AND MANAGEMENT</b>			
Improve swine production, feeding, marketing and management	Swine producers	General meetings, short courses, individual consultation, ration formulation	Branch Head or Swine Nutritionist Animal Industry Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-5318
<b>A.30 PIG BREEDING</b>			
Pig breeding, record of performance and artificial insemination	Swine producers	General meetings, short courses, individual consultation covering R.O.P. and artificial insemination for pigs  Programs under R.O.P. and A.I. include the on-farm ultrasonic home test for the selection of breeding stock and the distribution of semen from genetically superior boars	Supervisor Pig R.O.P. and A.I. Animal Industry Division Nisku, ALTA.  (403) 986-1250

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>450 POULTRY</b>			
<b>A.31 POULTRY SERVICES</b>			
Improve efficiency of poultry industry and ensure quality production	Poultry producers and allied industry	Administer regulations re licensing, bonding, quality and disease control; applied research poultry health programs; economic studies, production cost programs; extension through meetings, short courses, individual contact	Poultry Commissioner Animal Industry Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-5090
<b>460 HORSES</b>			
<b>A.32 HORSE INDUSTRY BRANCH</b>			
Provide services to the horse industry to improve quality, production and marketing of stock	Horse owners and breeders and general public	Horse Improvement Program, travel assistance to National Breed shows, stallion fertility evaluations, educational programs	Horse Industry Branch Animal Industry Division Calgary, ALTA.  (403) 276-7775
<b>475 FUR FARMING</b>			
<b>A.33 FUR FARMS</b>			
Improve economics of industry with efficient management	Fur farmers	General information on management, assistance in disease control, field inspection	Supervisor Fur Farms Veterinary Services Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 436-9344

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## SOILS, DISEASES, PESTS AND ENGINEERING

## ALBERTA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>500 SOILS</b>			
<b>530 SOIL FERTILITY</b>			
<b>A.34 LIME DEMONSTRATION FOR ACID SOILS</b>			
Demonstrate correct use of agricultural lime on acid soils	Alberta farmers	Technical information available through District Agriculturist and/or Soils Branch  Demonstration plots are established in strategic locations  Financial assistance is available through municipal Agricultural Service Boards	Soils Branch Plant Industry Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-5346
<b>560 IRRIGATION</b>			
<b>A.35 IRRIGATION DIVISION</b>			
Provide technical assistance in irrigation farm development and management	Irrigation producers	Information, designs, surveys, technical advice	Director Irrigation Division Lethbridge, ALTA.  (403) 329-5145
Provide technical assistance in project planning	Alberta irrigation districts	System designs, plans, estimates	

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>600 LIVESTOCK – DISEASES PESTS</b>			
<b>A.36      616 APICULTURE</b>			
Provide management information and desired control in honey bees	Alberta beekeepers and honey processors		Supervisor Apiculture Field Crops Branch Plant Industry Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-2450
<b>620/630 PLANT INSECTS AND DISEASES</b>			
<b>A.37      PEST AND DISEASE CONTROL</b>			
Control of pests and disease to prevent loss of production	Producers and communities in Alberta	General information, meetings, short courses, individual consultation, training of municipal pest control officers  Administration of bacterial ring rot program, coyote control and Alberta rat free program  Also provides laboratory testing facilities  Grasshopper insecticide provided at cost	Supervisor Animal Pests Plant Industry Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-5370  Supervisor Plant Pathology Plant Industry Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-5350  Supervisor Entomology Plant Industry Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-5339



Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>640 WEEDS</b>			
<b>A.38 WEED CONTROL AND FIELD SERVICES</b>			
Provide information and advice for control of weeds	Alberta producers, municipal governments, allied industry	Plant Industry Division administers Noxious Weed Act jointly with municipalities  Grants provided on a share basis, including local Agricultural Officer's salary	Head Weed Control and Field Services Branch Plant Industry Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-5330
<b>650 ANIMAL PARASITES</b>			
<b>A.39 WARBLE CONTROL PROGRAM</b>			
Control the warble infestation in livestock	All cattle producers	Information re warble control  60% of administrative cost to local government plus cost of market inspection and treatment	Livestock Supervisor Animal Industry Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-5335
<b>666 LIVESTOCK DISEASES</b>			
<b>A.40 VETERINARY LABORATORY SERVICES</b>			
Diagnostic service information  Recommendations re disease and health of animals and poultry	Alberta veterinarians and Alberta residents	Diagnostic results, disease problem investigation, poultry health programs	Head Laboratory Services Branch Veterinary Services Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 436-8903

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>A.41 VETERINARY FIELD SERVICES</b>			
Maintain an acceptable health level throughout livestock industry, ensure humane slaughter and disease-free products for consumption	Producers and processors	Regulatory, education and information programs including inspection of auction markets and abattoirs not covered by Federal Health of Animals  Dissemination of information through media, meetings, short courses, etc.	Head Field Services Branch Veterinary Services Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 436-9340
<b>A.42 RABIES WILDLIFE VECTOR CONTROL</b>			
Help prevent spread of rabies	All Alberta residents	Information kits, maintenance of buffer zone  Depopulation for rabid skunks	Supervisor Animal Pests Plant Industry Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-5370
<b>700 ENGINEERING</b>			
<b>A.43 AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERING SERVICES</b>			
Improve technical expertise of agricultural engineering	General public	Advice on all types of agricultural engineering problems  Short courses, meetings, and special vocational schools, e.g. rural welding and machinery maintenance	Engineering Field Services Branch Engineering and Rural Services Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-2181

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>708 RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT IN AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERING</b>			
<b>A.44      SYSTEMS ENGINEERING</b>			
Advisory assistance to farmers	Farmers and farm families, agricultural and engineering professionals	Direct problem solving assistance for engineering problems encountered by farmers	Systems Engineering Branch Engineering and Rural Services Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-2183
<b>710 FARM BUILDINGS</b>			
<b>A.45      FARM STRUCTURES</b>			
Promote and improve environmentally-controlled structures for livestock or poultry production, storage and general farmstead planning	All producers	Information and assistance in planning provided to producers upon request  Alberta Agriculture and Agriculture Canada publications available	Engineering Field Services Branch Engineering and Rural Services Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-2181
<b>A.46      HOME DESIGN</b>			
Provide practical and economical house plans for new or remodelled farm homes and information on interior and exterior finishing	Farmers in Alberta	Distribution of suitable plans, and construction upon request	Home & Community Design Branch Engineering and Rural Services Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 436-9384

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>716 WATER SUPPLY AND SANITATION</b>			
<b>A.47 WATER AND SEWAGE SYSTEMS</b>			
Develop and improve water services, wells, pumps and distribution	Bona fide farmers	50% of total costs with maximum \$550 plus technical information	Engineering Field Services Branch Engineering and Rural Services Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-2182
<b>720 LIVESTOCK EQUIPMENT</b>			
<b>A.48 LIVESTOCK EQUIPMENT</b>			
Help farmers to have adequate equipment available by rental from local government	Assistance available to municipal districts, improvement districts and counties	Grants to municipalities improvement districts and counties, 60% purchase price to a maximum of \$400 for portable high-pressure spray cleaners (Maximum two cleaners) Expires Dec. 31, 1980  50% purchase price (maximum \$600) for portable scales, two scales only	Supervisor Beef Cattle Animal Industry Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-5302
<b>A.49 ANIMAL WASTE MANAGEMENT</b>			
Promote use of recommended practices for animal waste management to overcome pollution problems connected with livestock enterprises	All Alberta farmers	Assistance in design of waste disposal and location of livestock facilities  Successful applicants may obtain a Certificate of Compliance	Engineering Field Services Branch Engineering and Rural Services Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-2181

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**740 FIELD MACHINERY****A.50 FARM IMPLEMENT ACT**

Promote improved farm machinery service	Farmers, dealers and distributors of farm implements	Licensing and bonding of dealers and distributors and assistance to farmers with supply of repair parts, service or warranty problems	Farm Implement Act Administration Engineering & Rural Services Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-2188
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## AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS

## ALBERTA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>800 AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS</b>			
<b>810 FARM MANAGEMENT</b>			
<b>A.51 FARM BUSINESS MANAGEMENT</b>			
Assist farmers in improving their decisions on production, marketing and financing	Farmers and staff	Short courses, general meetings, individual counselling	Head Farm Business Management Branch Economic Services Division Olds, ALTA.  (403) 226-8305
<b>A.52 CANFARM</b>			
Provide a computerized accounting system for farmers	All farmers	Business analysis, income tax, farm accounts	Farm Business Economic Services Branch Management Branch Olds, ALTA.  (403) 226-8305



Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
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**820 PRODUCTION ECONOMICS****A.53 PRODUCTION ECONOMICS**

Determine production costs returns and resource use in producing various agricultural commodities	Departmental staff and general public	Short courses, general meetings, individual consultation to general public, agribusiness	Head Production Economics Branch Economic Services Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-5396
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**823 FARM LABOUR****A.54 AGRICULTURAL MANPOWER**

To provide skilled farm labour, improved farm employee housing, farm safety and Summer Farm Employment Program	All alberta farmers and employees	Financing for training under Green Certificate Program  Farm labour housing repair - provide constuction crew  Cover % of wages to summer employees  Seminars etc. on farm safety and employee-employer relations and other related labour subjects	Farm Training Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-2173
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Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>A.58 BEGINNING FARMERS' PROGRAM</b>			
Assist young potential farmers to become established in farming operations	An individual must have a suitable combination of demonstrated management ability, education in the agricultural field and agricultural experience	Long term lending to a maximum of \$150,000. Incentive rebates of 2% on the outstanding principal are available if the beginning farmer adheres to the program	Agricultural Development Corporation Camrose, ALTA.  (403) 672-3347
<b>A.59 DISASTER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM</b>			
To allow a farm unit to maintain reasonable viability after suffering a disaster but not to provide compensation for losses	Producers who have suffered an occurrence to their farm operation that is beyond the control of management, that cannot be adequately insured against or is not customarily insured against, that is not covered by adequate compensation, and which jeopardizes the viability of the farming operation	A financial pack that will allow the individual to maintain reasonable viability	Agricultural Development Corporation Camrose, ALTA.  (403) 672-3347
<b>A.60 ALBERTA FARM DEVELOPMENT LOAN (A.F.D.L.)</b>			
To ensure short and intermediate term financing with reasonable terms and conditions is available to primary producers	Primary producers	Loans to a maximum of \$75,000 for term not exceeding 15 years with interest at the bank's prime lending plus 1-1 1/2% depending on the term	Agricultural Development Corporation Camrose, ALTA.  (403) 672-3347

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>A.61 FINANCIAL RESTRUCTURING PROGRAM</b>			
To maintain a farm's viability that is threatened by an excessive burden or short term debts	Primary producers who have a favorable credit history and a history of good management of the financial cultural aspects of the farm	Direct loans may be supplied for a term of up to 20 years in order to refinance short term debts	Agricultural Development Corporation Camrose, ALTA.  (403) 672-3347
<b>A.62 AGRIBUSINESS LOAN GUARANTEES</b>			
To assist new agribusinesses to become established, and assist existing agribusinesses to expand in order to increase the further processing of agricultural products and provide necessary services to primary producers, thus helping to make rural centers more viable	Agribusiness enterprises which process primary products and/or provide the necessary services to farming enterprises and who are unable to obtain reasonable financing from other sources	A 100% guarantee of lending is provided to a lender in order to allow the agribusiness to secure the financing required with reasonable terms and conditions	Agricultural Development Corporation Camrose, ALTA.  (403) 672-3347
<b>840 MARKETING</b>			
<b>A.63 AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS MARKETING COUNCIL</b>			
Administration and interpretation of the Marketing of Agricultural Products Act and its regulations	Groups incorporated or not who wish to take advantage of the Act	Information to public re Marketing Act and its operation, assistance to various boards and commissions where applicable	Chairman Alberta Marketing Council Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-2164

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>A.64 FEED AND FORAGE EXCHANGE</b>			
Put buyers and sellers of grains in contact with each other	All buyers and sellers	<p>Sellers may call one of eight reporting stations and provide particulars about the product offered for sale</p> <p>Buyers receive a list of persons having listed products for sale</p> <p>The two parties are responsible for making all sale and delivery arrangements</p> <p>The Exchange takes no part in pricing</p>	<p>Alberta Grain Commission Edmonton, ALTA. (403) 427-7329</p>
<b>A.65 GRAIN PRICE INFORMATION SERVICE</b>			
Provide 24-hour information on range of grain prices for all open market grains	All producers/ users of grain	Provide 24-hour information on range of grain prices for all open market grains	<p>Alberta Grain Commission Edmonton, ALTA. (403) 427-7329</p>
<b>A.66 FARMERS' MARKET</b>			
Encourage establishment of Farmers' Markets	Communities with potential and people interested	<p>Grants up to \$10,000</p> <p>\$5,000 for physical facilities and \$5,000 for organizational and promotional expenses</p>	<p>Commodity Development Branch Marketing Services Division  Edmonton, ALTA. (403) 427-5398</p>

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>A.70 FOOD LABORATORY SERVICES</b>			
Provide analytical and consulting services	Alberta food industry, government agencies, Alberta residents	Food analysis, ingredient analysis, pesticide and residue analysis, and food processing problems	Head Food Laboratory Services Branch Marketing Services Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 436-9450
<b>A.71 NUTRITIVE PROCESSING ASSISTANCE</b>			
Canada/Alberta Subsidiary Agreement on Nutritive Processing Assistance	Food processing firms which establish, expand or modernize their facilities in rural Alberta	Grants up to a maximum of 35% of the total capital costs	Executive Director Rural Development Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-4287  DREE Alberta Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 425-7111
<b>A.72 EXPORT DEVELOPMENT GRANT</b>			
Assist Alberta exports of agricultural and food products	Any Alberta-based society, person, co-operative, or organization interested in developing sustained export sales	Grants are provided to support international exhibitions, and trade fairs; incoming buying missions and outgoing sales missions; feasibility studies and other market promotion and development activities	International Marketing Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-4241



Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>A.73      MARKET ANALYSIS</b>			
Provide market information, outlook, analysis and education	Farmers, agribusiness departmental staff and others upon request	Short courses, general meetings, individual as well as general releases	Head Market Analysis Branch Economic Services Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-7132
<b>A.74      BUSINESS MANAGEMENT</b>			
Assist in the improvement of business management in the agribusiness sector	Alberta agribusiness and agricultural organizations	Counselling assistance in financial and business management	Head Business Analysis Branch Economic Services Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-5374
<b>850 AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS</b>			
<b>A.75      AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS</b>			
Compile, generate and distribute statistics on the agricultural industry	Farmers, government agencies and department staff	Report, summaries analysis and consultation	Head Statistics Branch Economic Services Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-4016

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>870 FARM POLICY</b>			
<b>A.76 FARMERS' ADVOCATE OF ALBERTA</b>			
Acts as an ombudsman to any farmer who may feel his rights have been violated.	Alberta farmers	General information and individual investigation	Farmers' Advocate of Alberta Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-2433
<b>A.77 PLANNING AND RESEARCH SECRETARIAT</b>			
Responsible for liaison within the department and externally and for making policy recommendations to the office of the Deputy Minister and for development of a policy framework, which assists in co-ordinating and relating government policy to government objectives	Any Albertan interested in departmental policy or with related problems appearing to warrant further attention	Information available on selected topics that include agricultural balance, credit, value adding opportunities, income averaging account, and taxation	Chairman, Planning and Research Secretariat Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-2417
<b>877 RURAL DEVELOPMENT</b>			
<b>A.78 SMALL FARM DEVELOPMENT</b>			
Assist marginal and sub-marginal farm operators to improve their livelihood to become commercially viable or choose alternative occupations	Farm operators with less than \$75,000 assets	Special credit for buying and selling land, vendors' grants, farm management services to provide information to operator  Rural Development Service to assist in decision-making as to best alternative	Extension Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-2964

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<b>A.79</b>	<b>ALBERTA DISASTER SERVICE LIAISON</b>		
To deal with natural disasters	Alberta residents and Departmental staff	Liaison between Alberta Department of Agriculture and Alberta Disaster Service Agency for expedient action in case of emergencies such as flood, excessive snow, etc.	Department of Emergency Planning Office Plant Industry Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-5323

**A.80 NAMES OF HOMES ACT**

Provides for the registration of names selected by individuals to identify their home or place of residence	Any resident of Alberta who owns or rents a home	Registration	Extension Division Edmonton, ALTA.  (403) 427-2405
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REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON POLICIES AND PROGRAMS

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The information in these handbooks, about both federal and provincial policies and programs, is available on computer and may be requested using this form. If you know the code numbers of the programs, so much the better. Otherwise, you can ask for the program by title or subject (eg. B.17 - Dairy Herd Improvement, or all programs on Dairy). The information supplied will be a list of policies and programs by program number.

If you want additional information on a particular policy or program, write or call the contact specified in the right hand column of each policy and program summary.

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## POLICIES AND PROGRAMS FOR AGRICULTURE

## FIELD CROPS AND HORTICULTURE

## BRITISH COLUMBIA MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>200 HORTICULTURE</b>			
<b>B.01 HORTICULTURAL CROP PRODUCTION AND MARKETING</b>			
Facilitate expanded production, marketing and processing of horticultural crops consistent with market opportunities	All producers of horticultural crops, grower organizations, processing firms, marketing boards and selling agencies	Free services of horticulture specialists on tree fruits, berries, grapes, vegetables, greenhouse crops, nursery crops and mushrooms	Head Horticulture Branch Victoria, B.C.  (604) 387-5121 ext. 237 or 238
Conduct applied research and demonstrations		Liaison with Agriculture Canada, University of British Columbia	
Prepare reports and statistics on crop production and outlook through the growing season		Preparation of Horticulture Newsletters, "Grower's Notes", statistics reports, production guides, bulletins, radio and T.V. programs and displays	
		Conduct meetings, workshops and short courses	
<b>B.02 HORTICULTURE REGULATION AND INSPECTION</b>			
Jointly administers regulations to control insects and diseases destructive to horticultural crops	All growers	Services provided by staff to analyze soil and root samples  Registration of establishments selling nursery stock	Head Horticulture Branch Victoria, B.C.  (604) 387-5121 ext. 237 or 238

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
		Inspection of horticultural crops by provincial inspectors	
<b>250 VEGETABLES</b>			
<b>B.03 ALLOTMENT GARDENS</b>			
Provide opportunities for urban families not having access to suitable garden soil to save on food costs, improve nutrition, obtain exercise, work together and learn about vegetable growing practices	Any urban resident or family not having access to a private vegetable garden	Irrigated garden plots in selected locations in Victoria and Vancouver for a charge of \$20 per year  Advice and supervision of urban horticultural programs.  Demonstration plots, field days and competitions	Head Horticulture Branch Victoria, B.C.  (604) 387-5121 ext. 237
<b>100 FIELD CROPS</b>			
<b>B.04 FIELD CROPS PRODUCTION AND MARKETING</b>			
Facilitate expanded production, marketing and processing of field crops consistent with market opportunities	All farmers, industry associations, processors, feed, seed and fertilizer suppliers	Free services of field crop specialists in production practices, soil management, range management, fertility and weed control	Head Field Crops Branch Victoria, B.C.  (604) 387-5121 ext. 242
Conduct applied research and demonstrations		Trial and demonstration plots for new practices and input applications  Liaison with Agriculture Canada and University of B.C.	

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Publication of production  
guides, brochures and  
research reports

Conduct of meetings,  
workshops, etc.

#### **B.05      FIELD CROP REGULATION AND INSPECTION**

Facilitate production  
of certified seed

Farmers,  
municipalities and  
regional districts

Jointly administer  
Certified Seed Potato  
Act, Plant Protection  
Act, Seed Growers  
Protection Act and Weed  
Control Act

Head  
Field Crops Branch  
Victoria, B.C.

Monitor and control  
noxious weeds and  
distribution of weed  
seeds

(604) 387-5121  
ext. 242

Jointly identify and  
control plant diseases

Municipalities and  
regional districts are  
assisted on a 50% shared  
cost basis for approved  
weed control programs  
to a maximum of \$20,000

## POLICIES AND PROGRAMS FOR AGRICULTURE

## LIVESTOCK

## BRITISH COLUMBIA MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>400 LIVESTOCK</b>			
<b>B.06 LIVESTOCK PRODUCTION AND MARKETING</b>			
Facilitate expanded production, marketing and processing of livestock and livestock products consistent with market opportunities	All livestock producers, industry associations and marketing organizations	Free services of livestock specialists in production practices, herd improvement and livestock nutrition	Head Livestock Branch Victoria, B.C.  (604) 387-5121 ext. 230
Conduct applied research and demonstrations		Feeding trials and demonstrations of new practices	
		Liaison with Agriculture Canada and University of B.C.	
		Publication of production guides, bulletins and research reports	
		Conduct of meetings, workshops, etc.	
<b>B.07 RANGE USE AND MANAGEMENT PERMITS</b>			
Encourage and require optimum husbandry of crown forage resource for the use of range livestock industry.	Livestock producers	B.C. Ministry of Forests, Range Branch, provides grazing permits for terms up to five years, granting permission to graze a specified number of animals	Director Range Branch B.C. Ministry of Forests Victoria, B.c.  (604) 387-3911

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
		for a definite period on crown range	
		Permit fee is based on a monthly rate per head of stock	
<b>B.08 LIVESTOCK REGULATION AND INSPECTION</b>			
Facilitate livestock production and marketing	Stock dealers, slaughterhouses, fur farms, public saleyards and saleyard operators, livestock auctioneers, processors and hide dealers	Administers Stock Brands Act, Contagious Diseases Act, Fur Farms Act, Livestock Public Sales Act, Beef Grading Act, Hog Grading Act and Meat Inspection Act (see Meat Inspection Program) and regulations respecting production, processing and marketing of cattle, horses, fur bearing animals and livestock products	Head Veterinary Branch Victoria, B.C.  (604) 387-5121 ext. 234  or  Recorder of Brands  or  Head Livestock Branch Victoria, B.C.
Monitor and control disease		Issuance of licenses and supervision of bonding	(604) 387-5121 ext. 230
Maintain quality standards		Collection of fees	
		Approval of public saleyard blueprints	
		Inspection services	
		For control of contagious diseases, establishment of quarantine areas, disposal of diseased animals, disinfection of premises, compensation of owners, identification and testing of animals and penalties for violation of provisions	



Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
		Co-operation with Agriculture Canada, Poultry and Livestock Branches and practicing veterinarians	
<b>B.09 LIVESTOCK FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE</b>			
Facilitate livestock production and marketing	Commercial and purebred livestock producers	Co-operation with breed associations in paying financial assistance towards movement of livestock to shows and exhibitions across Canada including payment of entry fees to Royal Winter Fair and one other show for each breed organization  Rebates on purchase and transportation of superior rams, boars and beef bulls  Assistance towards purchase and installation of live- stock scales for performance testing	Head Livestock Branch Victoria, B.C.  (604) 387-5121 ext. 230
<b>B.10 LIVESTOCK CONTROL AREAS</b>			
Control domestic livestock running at large	Various designated areas of the province	Under the Pound District Act areas of unorganized territory may be designated as Pound Districts within which it is an offence to permit a domestic animal to run at large  Under the Trespass Act owners of adjoining lands share cost of construction and maintenance of common fences	Recorder of Brands Veterinary Branch Victoria, B.C.  (604) 387-5121 ext. 235  or  Head Livestock Branch

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
		Under the Animals Act areas may be designated as Bull District or Bull Control Areas within which bulls are allowed freedom of movement	
<b>B.11 DOMESTIC ANIMAL PROTECTION</b>			
Protection of domestic animals through dog control in unorganized areas of the province	Unorganized territory with high livestock population densities	Encouragement to regional districts to provide for dog control.  Domestic animal protection and compensation to live-stock producers for losses caused by dogs.	Head Livestock Branch Victoria, B.C.  (604) 387-5121 ext. 230
<b>B.12 ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION</b>			
Facilitate increased use of artificial insemination practices	Livestock producers, A.I. technicians and A.I. centres	Training and licensing of A.I. technicians and licensing of A.I. centres	Head Livestock Branch Victoria, B.C.  (604) 387-5121 ext. 230
<b>B.13 RECORD OF PERFORMANCE</b>			
Identification of superior beef cattle, sheep and swine breeding stock to facilitate increased livestock productivity	Purebred and commercial beef cattle, sheep and swine producers	Services of livestock specialists and Extension Branch field staff to supervise home testing and record-keeping  Provision of central testing facilities for beef cattle at Tranquille	Head Livestock Branch Victoria, B.C.  (604) 387-5121 ext. 230

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
		Testing procedures and data processing conducted in co-operation with Agriculture Canada	
<b>B.14 LIVESTOCK BRANDS</b>			
Control spread of disease, cattle rustling and movement of livestock within the province	Cattle and horse owners	<p>Issuance, renewal or transfer and registration of all cattle and horse brands</p> <p>Inspection of brands and authorization of movement of cattle, horses.</p> <p>Co-operation of brand inspectors with field veterinarians to monitor movement of cattle to livestock saleyards to identify disease</p> <p>Charge for services</p>	<p>Head Veterinary Branch Victoria, B.C.</p> <p>(604) 387-5121 ext. 234</p> <p>or</p> <p>Recorder of Brands Victoria, B.C.</p> <p>(604) 387-5121 ext. 235</p>
<b>B.15 MEAT INSPECTION</b>			
Facilitate processing and marketing of livestock and poultry meat and co-products through regulation and inspection services	Abattoirs in meat inspection areas or facilities otherwise constructed and operated to comply with health and disease control regulations	<p>Review and approval of blueprints for abattoirs seeking domestic meat inspection</p> <p>Charge for services of veterinarians and meat inspectors to monitor and inspect killing and processing operations and products</p> <p>14 compulsory meat inspection areas in Fraser Valley, one on Vancouver Island and one in Peace River</p>	<p>Head Veterinary Branch Victoria, B.C.</p> <p>(604) 387-5121 ext. 234</p>

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
		<p>In meat inspection areas all meat sold must originate from establishments with full federal or domestic inspection, except farm slaughter for home use</p> <p>Carcasses approved for human consumption stamped with "Canada Inspected" or "Canada Approved" legend.</p>	
<b>B.16 CATTLE IMPROVEMENT AND PROMOTION</b>			
Encouragement for de-horned cattle production through use of the Horned Cattle Fund	Cattle producers and cattle industry except purebred cattle sold for breeding purposes	Ministry administration of a trust fund from payments of \$2 per head on every dealer purchase of cattle with horns	Recorder of Brands Veterinary Branch Victoria, B.C.  (604) 387-5121 ext. 234
Promotion of cattle industry and expansion of beef consumption		<p>Trust fund revenues utilized for approved livestock improvement projects</p> <p>A penalty for horns applies to dairy cattle going to slaughter</p>	
<b>B.17 DAIRY HERD IMPROVEMENT</b>			
Identification and selection of superior dairy cattle to increase productivity	Dairy Herd Improvement Association Members	Services of technicians on a charge basis to conduct on-farm sampling, and recording	<p>Head Livestock Branch Victoria, B.C.  (604) 387-5121 ext. 230  or</p>

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
		Issuance of production certificates and provision of herd management advice	Supervisor D.H.I.A. Victoria, B.C. (604) 387-6675
		Provision of central laboratory testing of protein and fat from individual cows.	

#### 410 MILK AND DAIRY PRODUCTS

##### B.18 MILK BOARD

Control and regulate production, marketing, processing, distribution and pricing of fluid and manufacturing milk consistent with market opportunities	All persons engaged in producing, supplying, processing, distributing, and selling milk within the province	Three-member Board appointed by Lieutenant Governor in Council to administer marketing provisions of Milk Industry Act and Regulations  Salaries and administrative expenses paid by province	Chairman Milk Board 800 South Cassiar Street Vancouver, B.C.  (604) 299-9131
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##### B.19 DAIRY FARM AND DAIRY PLANT INSPECTION

Facilitate production, hauling, processing and distribution of high quality milk, dairy products and margarine	Milk producers, dairy processing plants, margarine manufacturing plants and distribution firms	Services of dairy specialists and dairy farm inspectors to advise, inspect, monitor and certify facilities, equipment and operational procedures of producers, processors, and handlers  Issuance of certificates, licences and permits  Training and qualifying dairy plant personnel and tank milk receivers	Head Dairy Branch Victoria, B.C.  (604) 387-5121 ext. 244
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Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
		Liaison with consumers, industry and government	
		Technical advice	
<b>B.20 DAIRY LABORATORY</b>			
Monitor and maintain quality control standards for milk and dairy products	Milk producers, milk processing plants, other ministry programs	Services of laboratory staff to conduct qualitative and quantitative analyses including bacteria counts, adulteration determinations, antibiotic tests, chemical tests and IRMA analysis for fat, protein and lactose	Head Dairy Branch Victoria, B.C.  (604) 387-5121 ext. 244
Conduct product quality research		Charge for services	
		Assist in producer payment determinations, support the D.H.I. program, and support the soft ice cream monitoring program in co-operation with the Ministry of Health	
<b>B.21 DAIRY PRODUCTS PROMOTION FUND</b>			
Expand markets for milk and dairy products produced in the province	Milk producers	Milk producers pay levy of 11.5¢/hectolitre of qualifying milk into a fund	Head Dairy Branch Victoria, B.C.  (604) 387-5121 ext. 244
		Proceeds used for market research, consumer education, public relations, advertising and market promotion	
		Fund administered by a committee of producers appointed by Minister of Agriculture	

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
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## B.22 DAIRY PRODUCERS' PROTECTION FUND

Provide financial protection to milk producers in event of dairy plant bankruptcy	Milk producers	<p>Licensed dairy plant management pays levy of 1/2¢ per hectolitre of qualifying milk into a fund</p> <p>In the event of bankruptcy, producers are assured of consideration of claims resulting from non-payment of milk shipped</p> <p>Fund administered by a committee including Head of the Dairy Branch, with representation from the Milk Board and the Ministry of Finance</p>	<p>Head Dairy Branch Victoria, B.C.</p> <p>(604) 387-5121 ext. 244</p>
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## 400 POULTRY

### B.23 POULTRY PRODUCTION AND MARKETING

Facilitate expanded production, marketing and processing of poultry and poultry products consistent with market opportunities	All poultry and egg producers, industry associations, processors and marketing boards	Free services of poultry specialists in production practices, genetic improvement, nutrition, disease control and marketing of eggs, broilers turkeys, ducks, geese and rabbits	Head Poultry Branch 32916 Marshall Road Abbotsford, B.C.
Conduct applied research and demonstrations		Operation of Poultry Testing Station to conduct research feeding trials, and tests of various strains and breeds of poultry	(604) 859-8919



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Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
		Co-operation with Agriculture Canada and University of B.C.	
		Publication of production guides, brochures and research reports	
		Conduct of meetings, workshops, etc.	

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#### B.24 POULTRY REGULATION AND INSPECTION

Facilitate poultry production	Poultry producers, grading stations, hatcheries, processors and distributors	Jointly administers Poultry and Poultry Products Act and regulations respecting purchase and sale of shell eggs and egg products, hatchery operation, and operations of poultry and egg processors	Head Poultry Branch 32916 Marshall Road Abbotsford, B.C.
Monitor and control disease			(604) 859-8919
Maintain quality standards		Issuance of licenses and supervision of bonding	
		Co-operation with Agriculture Canada and Veterinary Branch	

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## POLICIES AND PROGRAMS FOR AGRICULTURE

## SOILS, LAND DEVELOPMENT AND CONSERVATION

## BRITISH COLUMBIA MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
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<b>B.25</b>	<b>500 SOILS ADVISORY SERVICE</b>		
Provide information on soil capability and soil management practices in order to maintain the provincial soil resource and promote its efficient utilization	Agricultural producers, government agencies and general public	Advisory services of professional agrologists regarding irrigation, drainage, soil management, soil reclamation and crop suitability  Advisory services for the B.C. Land Commission regarding soil capabilities and top soil removal.	Head Soils Branch Victoria, B.C.  (604) 387-5121 ext. 245
<b>B.26</b>	<b>SOIL, FEED AND TISSUE TESTING LABORATORY</b>		
Provide analytical services and recommendations for soils, livestock feeds, field crops and horticulture crops	Agricultural producers, government agencies, and general public	Analysis of nutrient content of soil, feed and tissue samples  Fertilizer and feedstuff recommendations  Fee for service is charged.	Head Soils Branch Victoria, B.C.  (604) 387-5121 ext. 245  or  Laboratory Supervisor Soil, Feed and Tissue Testing Laboratory 1873 Spall Road Kelowna, B.C.  (604) 860-3588

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>B.27      AGRICULTURAL LAND DEVELOPMENT</b>			
Assist development and improvement of agricultural land through clearing, drainage and irrigation	<p>Established farmers not over 65 years old with annual farm income of at least \$1,600</p> <p>Applicants must have sufficient farming resources to make effective use of land development work</p> <p>Registered interest in the land or an Agricultural Lease Development Purchase Agreement on Crown Land</p> <p>Approval and consent of registered owner</p>	<p>Direct loans up to 15 years at 4% annual interest with option of interest payments only in first three years</p>	<p>Head Agricultural Credit Branch Victoria, B.C.</p> <p>(604) 387-5121 ext. 213</p>
<b>B.28      534 LIME ASSISTANCE</b>			
Increase use of lime to reduce soil acidity	<p>Established farmers in the Interior, Vancouver Island and Peace River areas</p>	<p>Payments of about \$3.00 per ton to farmers in eligible areas to assist in purchasing and applying lime</p> <p>Soil tests generally required</p>	<p>Head Field Crop Branch Victoria, B.C.</p> <p>(604) 387-5121 ext. 242</p>

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>B.29      PRIMARY RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT – AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT SUBSIDIARY AGREEMENT</b>			
British Columbia has 2.4 million acres of under-developed farmland. This program is designed to encourage improvement of underdeveloped land that can be intensively cultivated for crops that have production and market potentials	Development of irrigation projects for both forage and horticultural crop production. These may include engineering design and construction supervision; construction of storage reservoirs, main irrigation supply canals or pipelines, laterals or connections to farm systems as well as off-farm laterals and main drains; provision of pumps and screens or associated electrical services	Grants to three-quarters of capital costs of irrigation, drainage, water supply projects, 50% recoverable by agreement from Government of Canada	Head ARDA Branch Victoria, B.C.  (604) 387-5121 ext. 256
	Improvement of drainage works in rural regions. This may include engineering design and construction supervision, associated electrical services, construction of common collector laterals, main drainage works, and provision of pumps, screens, and purification facilities	Free services of staff in project planning and implementation	
	Construction of small co-operative irrigation or drainage works by groups of farmers that are unable to incorporate as a Water Improvement District because of small size		

## POLICIES AND PROGRAMS FOR AGRICULTURE

## INSECTS, DISEASES, PESTS AND BEES

## BRITISH COLUMBIA MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>600 INSECTS</b>			
<b>B.30 PEST IDENTIFICATION AND CONTROL</b>			
Facilitate production and marketing of agricultural products through pest control	All farmers, agricultural industry organizations, other department programs, homeowners and individuals - anyone with an insect-related problem	Services of specialists trained in identification of insects, arachnids, bird and rodent pests with the ability to recommend chemical, physical and biological control practices	Head, Entomology-Plant Pathology Branch Victoria, B.C.  (604) 387-5121 ext. 233, 270
Protect household goods, stored products, man and his animals from insect attack, damage and the transmission of disease organisms		Applied research and demonstrations  Implementation of plant protection regulations and inspections  Publication of information  Field inspections and meetings	
<b>B.31 PESTICIDE REGULATION AND INSPECTION</b>			
Regulation of the sale, distribution and commercial application of pesticides	Pesticide sales outlets, pesticide sales persons, pesticide storage and transportation premises and any person or	Training, examination and certification regarding knowledge of pesticide for sales persons, and pesticide applicators	Administrator Pesticide Control Branch Ministry of Environment Cloverdale, B.C.  (604) 576-2911

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
	organization applying pesticides commercially	Licensing and inspection of pesticide sales outlets, storage premises and custom applicator firms	
	Any large scale pesticide application must be reviewed and authorized prior to commencement	Monitoring of selected pesticide projects	
		Certain pesticides may be sold only upon issuance of permit	
		Some pesticides only available to certified applicators	
		Advice and information on handling and disposal of unwanted pesticides	

#### B.32 ENVIRONMENTAL LABORATORY – PESTICIDE SECTION

Analyze and monitor pesticide residues on or in food products, water or other parts of the environment	<p>Provincial and federal government departments</p> <p>Any person or firm, but appointments are necessary and number of samples may be limited</p> <p>Individuals could submit samples through government agency or representative</p>	<p>Samples sent by government staff to laboratory staff to conduct analyses and quantitative determinations of insecticides, fungicides, herbicides and other pesticide residues and certain metals in samples taken from crops, livestock, water, other plants or man</p> <p>Laboratory conducts an ongoing screening for pesticides in selected products</p>	<p>Head Pesticide Section Environmental Laboratory 3650 Wesbrook Cresc. Vancouver, B.C. V6S 2L2</p> <p>(604) 228-9766</p>
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Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>B.33 GRASSHOPPER CONTROL</b>			
To work with established grasshopper control areas to reduce damage to range and crops	Control areas which have been established under the Grasshopper Control Act	<p>Training staff of control areas, technical assistance regarding selection of methods of control, equipment requirements; on-site surveys are required</p> <p>Monies are advanced to the various control areas to cover operational costs</p> <p>These costs are shared on a per acre basis between the province and individual land owners within the control area</p>	<p>Head, Entomology Plant Pathology Branch Victoria, B.C.</p> <p>(604) 387-5121 ext. 233, 270</p> <p>or</p> <p>Regional Entomologist Summerland, B.C.</p> <p>(604) 494-7011</p>
<b>616 BEES</b>			
<b>B.34 APICULTURE PRODUCTION AND MARKETING</b>			
Facilitate expanded production, marketing and processing of honey and apiary products consistent with market opportunities	All bee-keepers, industry associations, honey processing firms, fruit and seed growers	Free services of apiculture specialists through workshops, short courses, meetings, field days, demonstrations, displays publications, media, films, research reports	<p>Head Apiary Branch 4607-23rd Street Vernon, B.C.</p> <p>(604) 545-1387</p>
Facilitate development and improvement of pollination programs			
Conduct applied research and demonstrations			



Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>B.35 APICULTURE REGULATION AND INSPECTION</b>			
Monitor and maintain product quality standards	All bee-keepers	Free services of staff to conduct laboratory analysis of honey samples and diagnosis of diseased specimens	Head Apiary Branch 4607-23rd Street Vernon, B.C.
Administer disease control regulations		Registration of apiary facilities and free inspection of apiaries by part-time inspectors	(604) 545-1387
<b>B.36 BEEYARD-BEAR PROTECTION INCENTIVE PROGRAM</b>			
Assist B.C. honey producers in constructing devices to protect beehives against bear depredation	Bee-keepers having 25 hives or more will be eligible for assistance up to a maximum of 250 hives for any one bee-keeper	Department will provide a maximum amount of \$2.00 per hive upon approval of applicant's fencing plan  Applicants must be registered under Section 6 of the Bee Act	Head Apiculture Branch 4607-23rd Street Vernon, B.C.  (604) 545-1387
<b>630 PLANT PATHOLOGY</b>			
<b>B.37 PLANT PATHOLOGY</b>			
Facilitate production of field crops and horticulture crops through identification and control of plant diseases	Farmers, agriculture industry, organizations and other ministry programs  All homeowners and individuals with a plant disease related problem	Advice and assistance of specialists trained in plant disease identification and chemical, physical and biological control practices  Provision of disease diagnostic service,	Head, Entomology-Plant Pathology Branch Victoria, B.C.  (604) 387-5121 ext. 233, 270

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field surveys, applied  
research and demonstration,  
disease control  
recommendations

Publications, newsletters,  
meetings and workshops

Co-operation with  
Agriculture Canada and  
industry organizations

Administration of disease  
control and eradication  
projects

## POLICIES AND PROGRAMS FOR AGRICULTURE

## LIVESTOCK DISEASE CONTROL AND TREATMENT AND ENGINEERING

## BRITISH COLUMBIA MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>660 LIVESTOCK DISEASES</b>			
<b>B.38 VETERINARY ADVISORY SERVICE</b>			
Facilitate production and marketing of livestock and poultry through application of current veterinary medicine practices	Livestock and poultry owners, practicing veterinarians, other ministry programs	<p>Advisory service of veterinarians complementary to the services of practicing veterinarians</p> <p>Maintenance of animal health, disease diagnosis and investigation, consulting services, administration of animal health regulations</p> <p>Encouragement of preventive veterinary medicine through extension and education programs and farm visits</p> <p>Supervision of disease control and eradication procedures on an area basis</p>	<p>Head Veterinary Branch Victoria, B.C.</p> <p>(604) 387-5121 ext. 234</p>
<b>B.39 662 VETERINARY SERVICE DISTRICTS</b>			
Provision of veterinary service to outlying areas with low livestock populations	Veterinarians wishing to practice in more remote areas of the province	<p>Three-year agreements providing for annual grants of \$5,000</p> <p>Agreements renewable depending upon private practice revenue</p>	<p>Head Veterinary Branch Victoria, B.C.</p> <p>(604) 387-5121 ext. 234</p>

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>B.40 VETERINARY DRUGS REGULATIONS AND INSPECTION</b>			
Regulation of distribution and use of veterinary drugs	All sales outlets for veterinary drugs and medicated feeds	<p>Issuance of licenses to persons mixing or selling medicated feeds, persons selling veterinary drugs and persons selling under one ton of medicated feed per year</p> <p>Inspection services</p>	<p>Head Veterinary Branch Victoria, B.C.</p> <p>(604) 387-5121 ext. 234</p>
<b>B.41 VETERINARY LABORATORY</b>			
Provide analytical and diagnostic services to control and treat livestock and poultry diseases	Livestock and poultry producers, practicing veterinarians, other ministry programs	<p>Laboratory staff to analyze specimens from animals and birds to diagnose disease or cause of death</p> <p>Charge for services</p>	<p>Head Veterinary Branch Victoria, B.C.</p> <p>(604) 387-5121 ext. 234</p> <p>or</p> <p>Supervisor Veterinary Laboratory P.O. Box 100 Abbotsford, B.C.</p> <p>(604) 852-1161</p>

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>700 AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERING</b>			
<b>B.42 ENGINEERING ADVISORY SERVICE</b>			
Provide engineering advisory service to agricultural producers on most aspects of agricultural production	All farmers  Other department programs	Free advisory service of professional engineers and engineering technicians  Farm structures consulting service  Drainage system advisory service  Farm mechanization information  Irrigation feasibility studies  Waste management  Advisory and Engineering input into ARDA proposals; for example, drainage, irrigation, range improvement, etc.	Head Engineering Branch 203-33780 Laurel Street Abbotsford, B.C. V2S 1X4  (604) 853-6451

## POLICIES AND PROGRAMS FOR AGRICULTURE

## AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS

## BRITISH COLUMBIA MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

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## 800 AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS

## B.43 808 RESEARCH (PLANNING, TRAINING AND MARKET PROMOTION) – AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT SUBSIDIARY AGREEMENT

This program is designed to seek out and study opportunities for development in the rural agricultural sector. Research and planning are essential to identify and provide support for meaningful projects suitable under the agreement. Market promotion will increase demand for British Columbia's food products while training programs will strengthen the industry in management and production techniques

Private agencies proposing applied research projects must be capable of planning, conducting, evaluating and reporting findings in a scientific manner

Feasibility studies can be proposed by a local committee, group, co-operative, or corporation

Market development projects should be proposed by a producer group or an existing food processing operation

Training programs can be at the request of producer groups, associations, agencies, or organizations concerned with processing or marketing

Total costs paid by Provincial Department, 50% recoverable by agreement from Government of Canada

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Victoria, B.C.

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ext. 256

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>B.44 810 FARM BUSINESS MANAGEMENT</b>			
Assist farmers in improving farm business management decision making as a means of increasing net farm income	All farmers and Ministry staff	Free services of regional specialists, technicians and district agricultural extension staff in establishing financial records utilizing a farm record book system or CANFARM computerized system  Analysis of financial records and decision aids for financial and production planning	Head Farm Economics Branch Victoria, B.C.  (604) 387-5121 ext. 227
<b>812 FARM TENURE</b>			
<b>B.45 PROPERTY MANAGEMENT</b>			
Administer selected farms, orchards and agricultural land owned by the Province  Demonstrate alternative land tenure possibilities	Farms and agricultural land acquired under the Land Commission Act and the Green Belt Protection Act and properties assigned to the Land Commission for administration	Administration of institutional farms at Colony, Tranquille and East Kootenay  Supervision of demonstration projects  Development of purchased farms  Selection of lessees and administration of leasing agreements	Head Property Management Branch # 210 20316-56 Avenue Langley, B.C. V3A 3Y7  (604) 530-5381



Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>831 FARM FINANCE</b>			
<b>B.46 FARM PRODUCTS FINANCE</b>			
Encourage and assist continued development and expansion of the farm product processing industry	An agricultural enterprise involved in production, processing or marketing of food or other agricultural products, or providing services to the agricultural industry  Partnerships, corporations, marketing boards, marketing commissions, co-operatives or associations	Provision of loan guarantees, direct loans, acquisition of shares, debentures or other interests, grants, and interest reimbursement	Head Farm Products Finance Branch Victoria, B.C.  (604) 387-5121
<b>832 FARM CREDIT</b>			
<b>B.47 AGRICULTURAL CREDIT</b>			
Improve the terms and availability of agricultural credit by complementing the services of existing lending agencies	All active farm operators, including individuals, partnerships, corporations and co-operatives  In a farm corporation the major shareholder must be actively engaged in daily management and operations of farm	Loan guarantees through chartered banks and credit unions  Reimbursement of interest at the Minister's annual discretion, currently at 9% for non-guaranteed loans and 9 1/2% for guaranteed loans from recognized lending agencies which are chartered banks, credit unions, Veteran's	Head Agricultural Credit Branch Victoria, B.C.  (604) 387-5121 ext. 213

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
	<p>Applicants must have expected gross income from farming enterprise of \$1,600 annually</p> <p>Non-farm gross income not to exceed \$25,000 annually</p> <p>May be required to enrol in Income Assurance and/or Crop Insurance programs or recognized farm accounting program</p> <p>Must be at least 19 and not over 65 years of age</p> <p>Be a Canadian citizen or a landed immigrant and resident of B.C.</p>	<p>Land Act, Farm Credit Corporation and Federal Business Development Bank</p> <p>Additional interest and/or principal reimbursement under selected incentive programs</p>	

#### B.48 PEACE RIVER LIVESTOCK PRODUCTION INCENTIVE

Encourage establishment or expansion of beef cattle and sheep production to facilitate agricultural diversification in Peace River area	<p>All farm operators residing in Peace River - Liard Regional District</p> <p>Financial incentives to purchase or retain young female breeding stock</p> <p>Total female animals owned by applicant must remain at or above 90% of total female animals</p>	<p>Reimbursement of interest for calendar years 1975-1978 inclusive, to 4% on non-guaranteed loans and 4 1/2% on guaranteed loans through eligible vending agencies</p> <p>Maximum loan of \$10,000 for purchase or retention of any combination of young female animals</p>	<p>Head Agricultural Credit Branch Victoria, B.C.</p> <p>(604) 387-5121 ext. 213</p>
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	<p>owned on December 31, 1973, plus female animals purchased or retained with loan proceeds</p> <p>Adequate feed, water and facilities must be supplied</p> <p>Applications accepted between November 29, 1974, and September 30, 1975</p> <p>No new applicants accepted but benefits can be claimed for seven full years</p>	<p>Maximum term of seven years with option of interest payments only in first two years</p>	

## 838 FARM INSURANCE

### B.49 CROP INSURANCE

Financial protection against crop loss due to specified insurable perils	<p>Farm operators directly involved in daily operation of a farm business growing one or more of the insured crops</p> <p>Separate farms operated as one unit insured under a single contract</p> <p>\$2,000 minimum gross income from insurable crops</p>	<p>Six voluntary shared costs insurance plans covering tree fruits, berries, grapes, grains forage and vegetables</p> <p>Growers and federal government share premiums equally</p> <p>Province pays 100% of administration costs and maintenance of reserve fund</p> <p>Insurance coverage based on five-year or ten-year</p>	<p>Head Crop Insurance Branch Victoria, B.C.</p> <p>(604) 387-5121 ext. 215</p>
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Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
	Major crops must be covered representing at least 70% of expected gross income from all crops	average yields, elected prices and appraised value of replacement planting stock	
	\$1,500 minimum insurable value for orchards	Free adjustment, field inspection and consultation services of Crop Insurance staff and sales agents	
<b>B.50 FARM INCOME ASSURANCE</b>			
To improve farm income security on a commodity-by-commodity basis by reducing financial risks associated with changes in market prices and costs of production	<p>Farmers who are Canadian citizens or landed immigrants and residents in the province of British Columbia</p> <p>Individuals, cooperatives, partnerships and farm corporations at minister's discretion</p> <p>Minimum gross income, size of enterprise and maximum participation per applicant established separately for each plan</p>	<p>Twelve voluntary shared-cost income assurance plans covering dairy, tree fruits, swine, field tomatoes, greenhouse vegetables, beef, blueberries, sheep, table eggs and hatching eggs, potatoes and raspberries</p> <p>Assurance funds established for each plan and premiums established at levels to cover expected indemnity payments over a five-year period</p> <p>Producers pay one-third of premium costs and provincial government two-thirds</p> <p>Administration costs shared by provincial government and producer organizations</p> <p>Basic costs of production calculated from enterprise models representing costs incurred at the threshold at the top 20% of operators</p>	<p>Head Farm Income Assurance Branch Victoria, B.C.</p> <p>(604) 387-5121 ext. 277</p>

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
		<p>Basic costs include cash operating, labor, management, depreciation, and partial interest on investment</p> <p>Indemnities cover approximately 75 percent of deficit between basic cost and the industry average market price</p> <p>Complementary measures encourage production to be compatible with market requirements</p> <p>Beginning in 1978, any new programs implemented will operate under new criteria currently being formulated</p>	

## 840 MARKETING

### B.51 BRITISH COLUMBIA MARKETING BOARD

Supervise operations of producer marketing boards and commissions established under the Natural Products Marketing (British Columbia) Act	<p>Producer marketing boards</p> <p>British Columbia residents</p>	<p>Appointments representing producers and consumers</p> <p>Ministry provides secretary and administrative support to monitor operations of marketing boards and commissions</p> <p>Board empowered to hear appeals lodged by a party arising from the actions of any marketing board or commission</p>	<p>Secretary British Columbia Marketing Board Victoria, B.C.</p> <p>(604) 387-5121 ext. 253</p>
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Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
		Board empowered to alter or cancel orders deemed to be in contravention of marketing schemes	
<b>B.52      AGRICULTURAL PRODUCT MARKETING</b>			
Co-ordinate development of markets, marketing systems and markets information	All agricultural products produced in the province	Marketing expertise in co-operation with commodity branch staff to assist producer organizations in establishing marketing schemes under the Natural Products Marketing (British Columbia) Act	Head Marketing Branch Victoria, B.C.  (604) 387-5121 ext. 253
Administration of marketing legislation	Producer organizations, marketing boards and commissions, processors and distribution firms	Marketing advice to eleven producer marketing boards and commissions established under Act  Analysis of market opportunities, assistance in marketing planning, improvement of marketing channels and establishment of market development plans  Administration of Agricultural Produce Grading Act  Co-operation with federal regulatory agencies  Liaison with other provincial and federal government marketing programs and industry	

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
		Agricultural Product Market Information on B.C. and competing areas of supply through bi-weekly pub- lication	
<b>846 MARKET DEVELOPMENT AND PROMOTION</b>			
<b>B.53 B.C. FOOD PROMOTION</b>			
Expand markets for and increase public acceptance and awareness of farm products produced in British Columbia	All locally produced farm products	Liaison and communication with producer organizations, marketing boards, processors, wholesalers, retailers and commodity branches	Head Marketing Branch Victoria, B.C.  (604) 387-5121 ext. 253
		Staff resources to prepare media advertising materials, recipes featuring B.C. products, price cards, brochures and fair presentations	or  B.C. Food Promotion Marketing Branch 10344 - Whalley Ring Road Surrey, B.C.
		Co-ordinates instore food demonstrations and industry-government food promotion projects	(604) 584-7691
		Provides food consulting service to educational institutions and consumer groups	
		Food science technical advice to food processors	



Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>850 AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS</b>			
<b>B.54 AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS</b>			
Development, dissemination, evaluation and analysis of provincial agricultural statistics for planning, developing, monitoring and evaluating government and industry policies and programs	Any interested individual or organization  Other department programs	Co-operation with Statistics Canada, Agriculture Canada, industry organizations, marketing agencies and other department programs in provision of statistical data and information on B.C. agriculture  Evaluation and development of data collection procedures  Interpretation and analysis of statistical data  Publication of annual handbook on B.C. agricultural statistics and periodic information releases	Agriculture Statistician Victoria B.C.  (604) 387-5121 ext. 254
<b>870 FARM POLICY</b>			
<b>B.55 POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING</b>			
Assist development, planning and analysis of new policy and program alternatives  Assist in monitoring and evaluation of operation and impacts of agricultural policies and programs	Department administrators  Any interested person or organization	Expertise in economic analysis and planning  Policy recommendations  Interprogram communication  Liaison and co-operation with federal and provincial government departments, universities and agricultural industry organizations	Director Policy Development & Planning Victoria, B.C.  (604) 387-5121 ext. 254

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
<b>880 RURAL SOCIOLOGY</b>			
<b>B.56 YOUTH DEVELOPMENT</b>			
Assist urban and rural youth to become effective, responsible citizens with a greater awareness of the role of agriculture in a predominantly urban society	<p>Membership in 4-H clubs open to young people from 9 to 19 years of age</p> <p>Volunteer adults serve as leaders</p>	<p>Services of Ministry staff in preparation and distribution of project materials and references</p> <p>Directions and advice to district 4-H councils</p> <p>Organization and supervision of leadership training programs, camps, conferences, travel programs, club and project work</p> <p>And selection of 4-H scholarship recipients</p>	<p>Head Youth Development Branch Victoria, B.C.</p> <p>(604) 387-5121 ext. 271</p>
<b>877 RURAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT</b>			
<b>B.57 B.C. AGRICULTURAL LAND COMMISSION</b>			
Preservation of agricultural land for food production	<p>Parcels with Canada Land Inventory soil classifications 1 to 4 and adjacent 5 and 6 in some cases</p>	<p>Establishment of Agricultural Land Reserves (ALR) in each of the 28 regional districts through zoning</p> <p>Use of land in ALR's limited to agriculture and uses compatible with long-term preservation of agricultural capability</p> <p>Establishment of B.C. Land Commission to administer Land Commission Act and Regulations</p>	<p>Chairman B.C. Land Commission 4333 Ledger Avenue Burnaby, B.C.</p> <p>(604) 294-5211</p>

Policy Program/ Objective	Eligibility	Assistance	Contact
		Jurisdiction of Act transferred to Ministry of Environment, December 1975 with Ministry of Agriculture maintaining liaison and administrative function over Land Commission lands suitable for agriculture.	
<b>B.58 FARM VACATIONS</b>			
Encourage urban residents to spend vacations on B.C. farms to increase awareness and understanding of agriculture and rural British Columbia	Farm host participants are required to meet standards of accommodation established by the Provincial Ministries of Health, Travel Industry and Agriculture	Publication and distribution of a Farm Vacation Guide listing rural families and facilities available for farm vacations	Head Youth Development Branch Victoria, B.C.  (604) 387-5121 ext. 271
Provide rural families with opportunity to supplement farm incomes			
<b>B.59 CO-ORDINATED RESOURCE MANAGEMENT – AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT SUBSIDIARY AGREEMENT</b>			
Program applicants are restricted to those groups operating on Crown range within the broadly defined geographical areas of the Kootenay, Thompson-Okanagan, Cariboo-Chilcotin, Bulkley Valley, Prince George, and Peace River areas of the Province	British Columbia's beef producers are unique in that they are heavily dependent on available Crown range which they must share extensively with wildlife, the forest industry, and recreation needs. Co-ordinated Resource Management is designed to increase	Construction of fencing, livestock handling facilities and cattle distribution trails  Increasing the value of the forest fringe for livestock and wildlife as well as improving tree growth through such treatments as thinning and selective burning	Head ARDA Branch Victoria, B.C.  (604) 387-5121 ext. 256

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	the grazing capacity of Crown range and help stabilize the beef industry by taking full advantage, along with all users, of the available resources	<p>Encouraging the uniform use of range through water developments such as dugouts, wells, and small dams</p> <p>Range improvement through such programs as seeding, or renovation and weed control</p> <p>Co-ordination and enhancement of recreation values to ensure that fish, wildlife, and other resources benefit within the range unit</p> <p>Improvements should be extensive in nature, involving either the total acreage of a range unit or a combination of range units. Resource management plans developed by local interest groups must include all resource users</p>	

#### B.60 CROWN AGRICULTURAL LAND LEASES

Make available crown land where feasible for agricultural purposes	<p>Individuals can make application on up to 1,280 acres of vacant crown land for agriculture purposes on a lease-develop-purchase or leasehold basis</p> <p>At least one half of the land being applied for must be arable</p>	<p>The British Columbia Land Management Branch, Ministry of Environment, administers the disposition of available crown land</p> <p>Agricultural leases are issued for 5 years subject to renewal for another 15 years</p> <p>At least 25 percent of the arable land must be cleared and cultivated within the initial five-year period to qualify for renewal of lease</p>	<p>Director Land Management Branch Victoria, B.C.</p> <p>(604) 387-6921</p>
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<b>B.61 SUPPORT SERVICES AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT SUBSIDIARY AGREEMENT</b>			
This program is designed to help provide support services needed to increase the economic viability of primary agricultural production, and to encourage the development of the processing and value-added stages. This initiative is to provide more jobs in the agricultural sector and processing industry, thereby improving stability and rural employment opportunities	<p>Establishment of services designed to encourage production. These include construction of livestock treatment facilities, veterinary clinics, beef feedlots, live-stock or produce collection and sale facilities, bulk purchase and distribution facilities, and community pest and disease control facilities. Applicants can be private individuals, producer groups, corporations, or co-operatives. If the applicant is a private individual, it must be demonstrated that the project will benefit other users by provision of some service that is beneficial to the community</p> <p>Projects designed to enhance the attraction of rural communities for individual entrepreneurs. Eligible projects include</p>	<p>The levels of assistance vary with the respective sections and are as follows:</p> <p>Services to enhance primary production – the cost of the eligible assets of projects under this section are shared 50% minimum by the sponsor and up to 50% by the senior governments</p> <p>Rural Community Services – the cost of the eligible assets of projects under this section are shared 50% minimum by the sponsor and up to 50% by the senior governments</p> <p>Value-added processing operations – assistance levels for new food processing or grading facilities are calculated on a formula of a maximum 25% of approved capital costs plus \$5,000 for each direct job created by the facility; and not to exceed 50% of the approved capital cost of the project.</p>	<p>Head ARDA Branch Vic viabilitytoria, B.C.</p> <p>(604) 387-5121 ext. 256</p>

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	<p>electrical services to remote rural areas, market access roads, and development of water supplies for production or market facilities. Applicants must be a group of agricultural producers and it must be demonstrated that a community benefit will result</p> <p>Establishment, modernization, or expansion of value-added processing operations in rural communities. Eligible projects include facilities which enhance the value of food production such as packing and grading, and operations involved in the secondary processing of food products. Applicants can be private individuals, producer groups, corporations or co-operatives</p> <p>Permanent job creation projects in remote rural communities subject to high seasonal unemployment that cannot be accommodated under existing government assistance programs. Applicants must be community groups in remote rural areas that have a need which cannot be met by existing government programs</p>	<p>Expansions and modernizations of existing food processing or grading facilities can be assisted up to the maximum of 20% of the approved capital costs</p>	

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<b>B.62 RURAL DEVELOPMENT SERVICES AND TRAINING – AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT SUBSID- IARY AGREEMENT</b>			
To provide for improvement in the productivity and efficiency of the provincial agricultural labour force.	Rural people including farmers and farm groups wishing to take short courses, combination of formal and on-farm training to keep abreast of technological changes, management and marketing techniques	The total cost is paid by the Provincial Government. 50% recoverable from the Federal Government	Head ARDA Branch Victoria, B.C.  (604) 387-5121 ext. 256
Bring federal-provincial manpower programs to people requiring assistance which is not available in other public programs			
<b>B.63 SPECIAL ARDA</b>			
Facilitate economic development and social adjustment measures, primarily for people of Indian ancestry, especially in remote areas of the province	Local native organizations, Indian bands, and individual entrepreneurs of native ancestry	Variable grants up to 100% of capital costs, 50% recoverable by agreement from Government of Canada  Free services of staff on project planning, evaluation and implementation	Ministry of Labour Co-ordinator of Native Programs (604) 387-3376
<b>B.64 SMALL FARM DEVELOPMENT</b>			
Provide increased development opportunities for small scale – low income producers and a land transfer program for eligible vendors and purchasers of farmland	Operators of smaller farms  Maximum eligible assets of \$75,000 for farm purchasers and \$40,000 for vendors	Under agreement with federal government, provision of free farm management consultant services to those acquiring additional land to develop an economic unit	Head Agricultural Development & Extension Branch Victoria, B.C.  (604) 387-5121 ext. 236  or



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		Rural development counselling services for those seeking other opportunities or retiring from farming	Branch Manager Farm Credit Corporation Kelowna, B.C.  (604) 762-2416
		Low down payment and low interest credit to farmers wishing to purchase land	
		Cash grants of \$1,500 plus 10% of sale price to a maximum of \$3,500 available to farmers wishing to sell land, retire or enter other occupations	
		Vendors may retain use of farm home and building site at option of purchaser	

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## AGRELATURE

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<b>010 AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION</b>			
<b>B.65 INFORMATION SERVICES</b>			
Provide technical and general information on B.C. agriculture and on activities of the Ministry	Farmers, news media, government departments, educational institutes, agricultural industry organizations and consumers	Regular information releases, feature articles, newsletters, television programs, television short courses, publications and films on agriculture produced and distributed by the Ministry	Head Information Branch Victoria, B.C.  (604) 387-5121 ext. 260
<b>B.66 AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT AND EXTENSION</b>			
Assist in identification and development of production and marketing opportunities	All farmers	Free services of regional and district agricultural staff through individual contact, workshops, short courses, meetings, field days, demonstrations, farm and industry tours, newsletter and news media	Head Agricultural Development and Extension Branch Victoria, B.C.  (604) 387-5121 ext. 236
Assist in promotion and administration of all department programs, services and legislation			
Supply information and facilitate application of agricultural science and technology			

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Provide liaison with subject matter specialists			
Represent agriculture in planning land-use and resource-management			

#### B.67 EXHIBITIONS AND FALL FAIRS

Encourage improvement in quality of farm products through competitions, exhibits and demonstrations	Fairs and exhibitions having competitive sections covering at least fruits, vegetables and/or field crops, and domestic science  All profits must be used for improvement of fair, grounds, buildings, etc. or for advancement of agriculture	Recognition and support of approved shows  Class "A" and "B" exhibitions receive cash grants for prize money and judges' expenses  Other fairs receive a percentage of the previous year's prize money plus nominal sum for judges' expenses  Periodic grants for approved capital expenditures  Secretarial services provided to B.C. Fairs' Association	Executive Officer Deputy Minister's Office Victoria, B.C.  (604) 387-5121 ext. 261
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<b>020 AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH</b>			
<b>B.68 COORDINATED AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH</b>			
Facilitate inter-agency research on current problems facing British Columbia agriculture	Faculty of Agricultural Sciences, University of British Columbia	<p>Research grants of approximately \$125,000 annually towards approved research projects</p> <p>Integrated committee structure under auspices of British Columbia Agricultural Services Coordinating Committee involving Ministry staff, U.B.C. faculty and Agriculture Canada Research Branch scientists to identify problems, evaluate project proposals and follow-up on research results</p>	<p>Chairman British Columbia Agricultural Services Coordinating Committee Deputy Minister's Office Victoria, B.C.</p> <p>(604) 387-5121 ext. 251</p>
<b>B.69 DEMONSTRATION OF AGRICULTURAL TECHNOLOGY AND ECONOMICS</b>			
Demonstrate effective use of agricultural technology and economic innovations for solving problems confronting farmers and increasing net farm incomes	Ministry professional staff	<p>Annual fund of \$100,000 allocated by D.A.T.E. Committee for applied research and demonstration projects having high pay-off potential in keeping with program objective</p> <p>Project proposals may originate from any source but are supervised by a Ministry staff member</p> <p>Published project reports and summaries</p>	<p>Director Special Services Victoria, B.C.</p> <p>(604) 387-5121 ext. 257</p>

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**030 AGRICULTURAL AGENCIES****B.70 B.C. FOOD ADVISORY COUNCIL**

Communication among various facets of B.C. food industry	Appointments by Minister of Agriculture representing Ministry of Agriculture, producers, processors, merchandisers, consumers	Ministry provides secretariat services	Secretary B.C. Food Advisory Council
Advice to Minister of Agriculture on current problems and issues		Council meets regularly to examine and discuss problems and issues and advises Minister of action recommendations	Executive Officer Deputy Minister's Office Victoria, B.C.
		Commissions studies on subjects of current and common interest	(604) 387-5121 ext. 261

**050 FARM ORGANIZATIONS****B.71 FARMERS' AND WOMEN'S INSTITUTES**

Facilitate establishment and operation of institutes to improve conditions of rural life, promote modern agricultural practices and arrange for purchase, distribution and sale of commodities on behalf of members	Subscribers of the constitution and by-laws.	Ministry staff assistance in establishment and operation of institutes	Executive Officer Deputy Minister's Office Victoria, B.C.
		Secretariat services for annual reports, resolutions and follow-up, newsletter and advisory board meetings	(604) 387-5121 ext. 261
		Cash grants to district institutes, partial expenses for annual meetings and supply of stationery	

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<b>B.72      4-H PROGRAM</b>			
<p>Assist urban and rural youth to become effective, responsible citizens with a greater awareness of their potential as individuals</p> <p>This is accomplished while teaching them skills related to agriculture, homemaking and crafts</p>	<p>Membership in 4-H clubs is open to young people from 9 to 19 years of age</p> <p>Volunteer adults serve as leaders</p>	<p>Services of Ministry staff in preparation and distribution of project materials and references</p> <p>Direction and advice to district 4-H councils</p> <p>Organization and supervision of leadership training programs, camps, conferences, travel programs, club and project work</p> <p>And selection of 4-H scholarship recipients</p>	<p>Head Youth Development Branch Victoria, B.C.</p> <p>(604) 387-5121 ext. 271</p>

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